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NOVELTY - The space that defines a graphic object outlines is divided into regions (2301), each region is outlined by following the outline of part of the graphic object. The regions are manipulated to form a further set of regions (2303) corresponding to compositing expressions. The new regions are classified according to the attributes of the original graph object (2305) e.g. color or opacity, this alters the compositing expression of the image(2307). The image is then created from the altered compositing expression (2309).

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for an apparatus and computer program product for generating an image.

USE - Method of creating an image in a graphical computer system.

ADVANTAGE - The method composites multiple components to improve rendering of transparent and partially transparent areas of an image.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows an a flow chart of the composite image formation steps.

Divide image (2301)

Create further regions (2303)

Classify regions (2305)

Modify compositing expression (2307)

Render image (2309)

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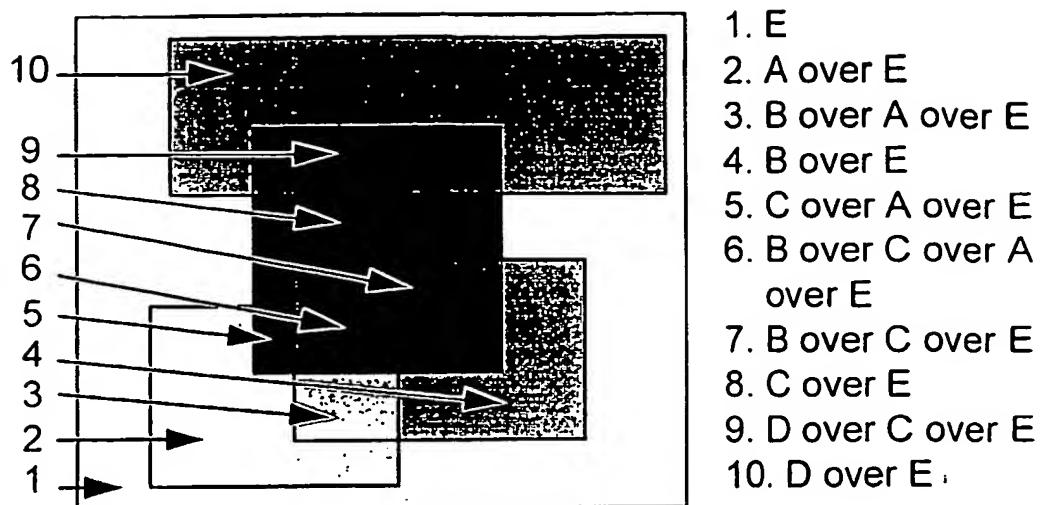
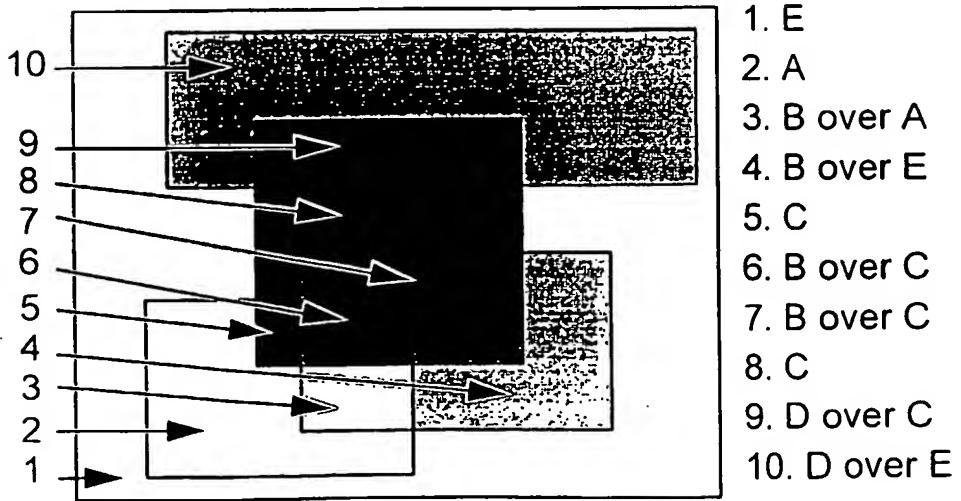
REGION BASED IMAGE COMPOSITING

ABSTRACT

A method of creating an image is disclosed. The image is formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects whereby each of the objects has a predetermined outline. The method comprises the following steps. Firstly, dividing a space in which the outlines are defined into a plurality of regions whereby each of the regions is defined by at least one region outline. The region outline substantially follows at least one of the predetermined outlines or parts thereof and is substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing the space. Secondly, manipulating the regions to determine a plurality of further regions whereby each of the further regions has a corresponding compositing expression. Fourthly, classifying the further regions according to at least one attribute of the graphical objects within the further regions. Fifthly, modifying each of the corresponding compositing expressions according to a classification of each of the further regions to form an augmented compositing expression for each of the further regions. Finally, compositing the image using each of the augmented compositing expression.

The claims defining the invention are as follows:

1. A method of creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said method comprising the steps of:
 - 5 dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space;
 - 10 manipulating said regions to determine a plurality of further regions, wherein each said further region has a corresponding compositing expression;
 - 15 classifying said further regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said further regions;
 - 20 modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said further region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said further region; and
 - 25 compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.
2. A method according to claim 1, wherein said attribute is selected from the group consisting of colour, opacity and object outline.
3. A method according to claims 1 or 2, wherein said manipulating said regions comprises applying set operations to said regions.
4. A method according to claim 3, wherein said set operations include difference and/or intersection operations.
5. A method according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein said grid is regularly spaced and preferably orthogonally based.
- 30 6. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein said grid is irregularly shaped.
7. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the compositing

**Fig. 3****Fig. 4**

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REGION BASED IMAGE COMPOSITING

Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to the creation of computer-generated images both in the form of still pictures and video imagery, and, in particular, relates to efficient process, apparatus, and system for creating an image made up by compositing multiple components.

Background

- Computer generated images are typically made up of many differing components or graphical elements which are rendered and composited together to create a final image.
- 10 In recent times, an "opacity channel" (also known as a "matte", an "alpha channel", or simply "opacity") has been commonly used. The opacity channel contains information regarding the transparent nature of each element. The opacity channel is stored alongside each instance of a colour, so that, for example, a pixel-based image with opacity stores an opacity value as part of the representation of each pixel. An element without explicit opacity channel information is typically understood to be fully opaque within some defined bounds of the element, and assumed to be completely transparent outside those bounds.
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An expression tree offers a systematic means for representing an image in terms of its constituent elements and which facilitates later rendering. Expression trees typically comprise a plurality of nodes including leaf nodes, unary nodes and binary nodes. Nodes of higher degree, or of alternative definition may also be used. A leaf node, being the outer most node of an expression tree, has no descendent nodes and represents a primitive constituent of an image. Unary nodes represent an operation which modifies the pixel data coming out of the part of the tree below the unary operator. 20 Unary nodes include such operations as colour conversions, convolutions (blurring etc) and operations such as red-eye removal. A binary node typically branches to left and right subtrees, wherein each subtree is itself an expression tree comprising at least one leaf node. Binary nodes represent an operation which combines the pixel data of its two children to form a single result. For example, a binary node may be one of the standard 25 "compositing operators" such as OVER, IN, OUT, ATOP and alpha-XOR, examples of which and other are seen in Fig. 20.

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Several of the above types of nodes may be combined to form a compositing tree. An example of this is shown in Fig. 1. The result of the left-hand side of the compositing tree may be interpreted as a colour converted image being clipped to spline boundaries.

This construct is composited with a second image.

Although the non-transparent area of a graphical element may of itself be of a certain size, it need not be entirely visible in a final image, or only a portion of the element may have an effect on the final image. For example, assume an image of a 5 certain size is to be displayed on a display. If the image is positioned so that only the top left corner of the image is displayed by the display device, the remainder of the image is not displayed. The final image as displayed on the display device thus comprises the visible portion of the image, and the invisible portion in such a case need not be rendered.

Another way in which only a portion of an element may have an effect is when the 10 portion is obscured by another element. For example, a final image to be displayed (or rendered) may comprise one or more opaque graphical elements, some of which obscure other graphical elements. Hence, the obscured elements have no effect on the final image.

A conventional compositing model considers each node to be conceptually infinite 15 in extent. Therefore, to construct the final image, a conventional system would apply a compositing equation at every pixel of the output image. Interactive frame rates of the order greater than 15 frames per second can be achieved by relatively brute-force approaches in most current systems, because the actual pixel operations are quite simple and can be highly optimised. This highly optimised code is fast enough to produce 20 acceptable frame rates without requiring complex code. However, this is certainly not true in a compositing environment.

The per-pixel cost of compositing is quite high. This is because typically an image 25 is rendered in 24-bit colour in addition to an 8-bit alpha channel, thus giving 32 bits per pixel. Each compositing operator has to deal with each of the four channels. Therefore, the approach of completely generating every pixel of every required frame when needed is inefficient, because the per-pixel cost is too high.

Problems arise with prior art methods when rendering graphical objects which include transparent and partially-transparent areas. Further, such methods typically do not handle the full range of compositing operators.

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Summary of the Invention

It is an object of the present invention to substantially overcome, or ameliorate, one or more of the deficiencies of the above mentioned methods by the provision of a method for creating an image made up by compositing multiple components.

According to one aspect of the present invention there is provided a method of 35 creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a

plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said method comprising the steps of:

dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least 5 one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space;

manipulating said regions to determine a plurality of further regions, wherein each said further region has a corresponding compositing expression;

10 classifying said further regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said further regions;

modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said further region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said further region; and

compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

15 According to another aspect of the present invention there is provided a method of method of creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said method comprising the steps of:

dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each 20 said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space, wherein each object has two region outlines arranged either side of said predetermined outline to thus define three regions for each said object, and wherein each said region has a corresponding compositing 25 expression;

classifying said regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said regions;

modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said region to form an augmented compositing expression for each 30 said region; and

compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

According to still another aspect of the present invention there is provided an apparatus for creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said 35 apparatus comprising:

dividing means for dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space;

5 manipulating means for manipulating said regions to determine a plurality of further regions, wherein each said further region has a corresponding compositing expression;

classifying means for classifying said further regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said further regions;

10 modifying means for modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said further region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said further region; and

compositing means for compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

According to still another aspect of the present invention there is provided an apparatus for creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at 15 least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said apparatus comprising:

20 dividing means for dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space, wherein each object has two region outlines arranged either side of said predetermined outline to thus define three regions for each said object, and wherein each said region has a corresponding compositing expression;

25 classifying means for classifying said regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said regions;

modifying means for modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said region; and

30 compositing means for compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

According to still another aspect of the present invention there is provided a computer program product including a computer readable medium having a plurality of software modules for creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and 35 compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a

predetermined outline, said computer program product comprising:

dividing module for dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space;

manipulating module for manipulating said regions to determine a plurality of further regions, wherein each said further region has a corresponding compositing expression;

10 classifying module for classifying said further regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said further regions;

modifying module for modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said further region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said further region; and

15 compositing module for compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

According to still another aspect of the present invention there is provided a computer program product including a computer readable medium having a plurality of software modules for creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said computer program product comprising:

dividing module for dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space, 25 wherein each object has two region outlines arranged either side of said predetermined outline to thus define three regions for each said object, and wherein each said region has a corresponding compositing expression;

classifying module for classifying said regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said regions;

30 modifying module for modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said region; and

compositing module for compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

Brief Description of the Drawings

A preferred embodiment of the present invention will now be described with reference to the following drawings:

- Fig. 1 is an example of a compositing tree;
- 5 Fig. 2 illustrates an image containing a number of overlapping objects and the corresponding compositing tree;
- Fig. 3 shows the image of Fig. 2 illustrating the different regions which exist in the image and listing the compositing expression which would be used to generate the pixel data for each region;
- 10 Fig. 4 is the image of Fig. 3, illustrating the compositing operations after being optimised according to one example of the preferred embodiment;
- Fig. 5 illustrates the result of combining two region descriptions using the Union operation according to the preferred embodiment;
- 15 Fig. 6 illustrates the result of combining two region descriptions using the Intersection operation according to the preferred embodiment;
- Fig. 7 illustrates the result of combining two region descriptions using the Difference operation according to the preferred embodiment;
- Figs. 8A to 8D illustrate the steps involved in combining two region groups using the Over operation according to the present invention;
- 20 Fig. 9 illustrates an image and compositing tree according to another example of the preferred embodiment;
- Fig. 10 illustrates an image and compositing tree according to still another example of the preferred embodiment;
- Fig. 11 illustrates the effect on the image of Fig. 10 of moving region A;
- 25 Fig. 12 illustrates an image and compositing tree according to still another example of the preferred embodiment;
- Fig. 13 illustrates the effect on the image of Fig. 12 of moving region A;
- Fig. 14 illustrates the effect on the image of Fig. 12 of moving region B; and
- Fig. 15 illustrates those nodes in a compositing tree which need to have their region 30 groups updated if leaf nodes B and H change;
- Fig. 16 illustrates a region and its x and y co-ordinates;
- Fig. 17 illustrates two regions and their x and y co-ordinates;
- Fig. 18 illustrates an image and compositing tree according to still another example of the preferred embodiment;
- 35 Fig. 19 illustrates an apparatus upon which the preferred embodiment is

implemented;

Fig. 20 depicts the result of a variety of compositing operators useful with the present invention;

Fig. 21 illustrates regions formed by combining two circles with non-grid-aligned regions;

Fig. 22 illustrates improved regions formed by combining two circles with grid-aligned regions;

Fig. 23 is a flowchart showing a method of creating an image in accordance with the preferred embodiment; and

10 Appendix 1 is a listing of source code according to the present invention

Detailed Description

1.0 Underlying Principles

The basic shape of operands to compositing operators in most current systems is the rectangle, regardless of the actual shape of the object being composited. It is extremely easy to write an operator which composites within the intersection area of two bounding boxes. However, as a bounding box typically does not accurately represent the actual bounds of a graphical object, this method results in a lot of unnecessary compositing of completely transparent pixels over completely transparent pixels. Furthermore, when the typical make-up of a composition is examined, it can be noticed that areas of many of the objects are completely opaque. This opaqueness can be exploited during the compositing operation. However, these areas of complete opaqueness are usually non-rectangular and so are difficult to exploit using compositing arguments described by bounding boxes. If irregular regions are used for exploiting opaque objects when compositing, then these regions could then be combined in some way to determine where compositing should occur. Furthermore, if any such region is known to be fully transparent or fully opaque, further optimisations are possible.

Most current systems fail to exploit similarities in composition between one frame and the next. It is rare for everything to change from frame to frame and therefore large areas of a compositing tree will remain unchanged. An example of this is where a cartoon type character comprising multiple graphical objects is rendered on a display. If, for example, the character spilt some paint on its shirt in the next frame, then it is not necessary to render the entire image again. For example, the head and legs of the character may remain the same. It is only necessary to render those components of the image that have been altered by the action. In this instance, the part of the shirt on which the paint has been spilt may be re-rendered to be the same colour as the paint, whilst the

remainder of the character stays the same. Exploiting this principle may provide large efficiency improvements. If incremental changes are made to the compositing tree, then only a reduced amount of updating is necessary to affect the change.

Many current graphical systems use what is known as an *immediate mode* application program interface (API). This means that for each frame to be rendered, the complete set of rendering commands is sent to the API. However, sending the complete set of rendering commands is somewhat inefficient in a compositing environment, as typically, large sections of the compositing tree will be unchanged from one frame to the next, but would be completely re-rendered anyway in immediate mode. The preferred embodiment, on the other hand, is considered by the present inventors to be best described as a *retained mode* API. Retained mode means that instead of providing the complete compositing tree on a per-frame basis, the user provides an initial compositing tree, and then modifies it on a per-frame basis to effect change. Changes which can be made to the tree include geometrically transforming part or all of the tree, modifying the tree structure (unlinking and linking subtrees), and modifying attributes (eg: color) of individual nodes. Note that such modifications may not necessarily mean that the tree structure, for example as seen in Fig. 1, will change where only the attributes of an individual node have been modified.

The rendering operation of the preferred embodiment is a combination of a number of techniques and assumptions which combine to provide high quality images and high frame rates. Some of the contributing principles are:

(i) The use of irregular regions to minimise per-pixel compositing. For example, if one graphical object is on top of another, then pixel compositing is only needed inside the area where the two objects intersect. Having the ability to use irregular regions gives the ability to narrow down areas of interest much more accurately.

(ii) An assumption is made that in the transition from one frame to the next, only part of the tree will change. This can be exploited by caching away expensive-to-generate information regarding the composition so that it can be re-used from one frame to the next. Examples of expensive-to-generate information are - regions of interest (boundaries of areas of intersection between objects etc); pixel data (representing expensive composites etc); and topological relationships between objects.

(iii) If an opaque object is composited with another object using the OVER operator, then the opaque object completely obscures what it is composited onto (inside the opaque objects area). This is a very useful property because it means that no expensive pixel compositing is required to achieve the output pixel within the area of overlap. (The

pixel value is the same as that at the equivalent spot on the opaque object). Opaque objects induce similar behaviour in most of the compositing operators. Therefore, the preferred embodiment attempts to exploit opaque areas as much as possible.

Fig. 23 is a flowchart showing a method of creating an image in accordance with the preferred embodiment of the present invention. The image is formed by rendering graphical objects whereby each of the objects has a predetermined boundary outline. The process begins at step 2301, where a space in which the object outlines are defined is divided into a number of regions. Each of the regions is defined by at least one of the predetermined boundary outlines or parts thereof. The regions are formed by segments of a grid which encompasses the space in which the predetermined outlines are defined. At the next step 2303, the regions are manipulated to determine a number of further regions. Each of the further regions has a corresponding compositing expression. The process of dividing the space into a number of regions and manipulating those regions is described in detail particularly with reference to section 2.3 below. Section 2.3 includes two pseudocode listings which describe steps 2301 and 2303 for the "OVER" and "IN" compositing operations. The process continues at step 2305, where the further regions are classified according to attributes of the objects that fall within the further regions. At the next step 2307, each of the corresponding compositing expressions are modified according to a classification of each of the further regions. The modifications form an augmented compositing expression for each of the further regions. The process of classifying the further regions and modifying each of the corresponding compositing expressions is described in detail particularly with reference to section 2.4 below. Section 2.4 includes two pseudocode listings which describe steps 2305 and 2307 for the "OVER" and "IN" compositing operations. The process concludes at step 2309, where the image is composited using each of the augmented compositing expressions. Step 2309 is described in detail with reference to section 2.6, below, which includes a pseudocode listing demonstrating the compositing process.

2.0 Basic Static Rendering

Static Rendering deals with the problem of generating a single image from a compositing tree as quickly as possible. Some of the pixel compositing methods of the preferred embodiment will be explained using a static rendering example.

An example of a simple compositing tree which consists of leaf node objects and only using the "OVER" operator is shown in Fig. 2. Conventionally, each node is considered to be conceptually infinite in extent. One method to construct the final image is to apply the compositing equation (((D OVER B) OVER C) OVER (A OVER E)).

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| AoverB | Transparent | Transparent | neither |
| | Transparent | Ordinary | B |
| | Transparent | Opaque | B |
| | Ordinary | Transparent | A |
| | Ordinary | Ordinary | BoverA |
| | Ordinary | Opaque | B |
| | Opaque | Transparent | A |
| | Opaque | Ordinary | BoverA |
| | Opaque | Opaque | B |
| AinB | Transparent | Transparent | neither |
| | Transparent | Ordinary | neither |
| | Transparent | Opaque | neither |
| | Ordinary | Transparent | neither |
| | Ordinary | Ordinary | AinB |
| | Ordinary | Opaque | A |
| | Opaque | Transparent | neither |
| | Opaque | Ordinary | AinB |
| | Opaque | Opaque | A |
| ArinB | Transparent | Transparent | neither |
| | Transparent | Ordinary | neither |
| | Transparent | Opaque | neither |
| | Ordinary | Transparent | neither |
| | Ordinary | Ordinary | BinA |
| | Ordinary | Opaque | BinA |
| | Opaque | Transparent | neither |
| | Opaque | Ordinary | B |
| | Opaque | Opaque | B |
| AoutB | Transparent | Transparent | neither |
| | Transparent | Ordinary | neither |
| | Transparent | Opaque | neither |
| | Ordinary | Transparent | A |
| | Ordinary | Ordinary | AoutB |
| | Ordinary | Opaque | neither |
| | Opaque | Transparent | A |
| | Opaque | Ordinary | AoutB |
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| AroutB | Transparent | Transparent | neither |
| | Transparent | Ordinary | B |
| | Transparent | Opaque | B |
| | Ordinary | Transparent | neither |
| | Ordinary | Ordinary | BoutA |
| | Ordinary | Opaque | BoutA |
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| | Opaque | Opaque | neither |
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| | Transparent | Ordinary | B |
| | Transparent | Opaque | B |

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| | Opaque | Opaque | A |
| AratopB | Transparent | Transparent | neither |
| | Transparent | Ordinary | neither |
| | Transparent | Opaque | neither |
| | Ordinary | Transparent | A |
| | Ordinary | Ordinary | BatopA |
| | Ordinary | Opaque | BatopA |
| | Opaque | Transparent | A |
| | Opaque | Ordinary | BatopA |
| | Opaque | Opaque | B |
| AxorB | Transparent | Transparent | neither |
| | Transparent | Ordinary | B |
| | Transparent | Opaque | B |
| | Ordinary | Transparent | A |
| | Ordinary | Ordinary | AxorB |
| | Ordinary | Opaque | AxorB |
| | Opaque | Transparent | A |
| | Opaque | Ordinary | AxorB |
| | Opaque | Opaque | neither |

2.1 Basic Data Model

Associated with every node in a compositing tree is a group of mutually exclusive regions which together represent the non-transparent area of the node. It should be noted
5 that the region descriptions that the preferred embodiment uses are generally not pixel accurate. A region may in fact contain some transparent pixels. However, any point lying outside of all the regions at a node is certain to be transparent. The set of the mutually exclusive regions at a node is known as a *region group*. A leaf node region group may contain only one or two regions. The region group at the root of the tree may
10 contain hundreds of regions. Each region in a region group contains the following basic data:

(i) A **Region Description** is a low-level representation of the boundaries of the region. The region descriptions of all the regions in a region group must be mutually exclusive (non-intersecting). However, the preferred embodiment is not limited to using
15 axis-parallel (ie: every side parallel or perpendicular to a scan line of an output device) region descriptions. The preferred embodiment allows region descriptions which more closely represent arbitrary shaped regions.

(ii) A Proxy is some means of caching the pixel data resulting from applying the operations specified by the compositing expression at every pixel inside the region description. A proxy can be as simple as a 24-bit colour bitmap, or something much more complicated (such as a run-length encoded description). Fundamentally, a proxy simply has to represent pixel data in some way which makes it efficient to retrieve and use.

Every region group also contains a region description which is the union of all the region descriptions of the regions in the region group. The region description essentially represents the entire coverage of the region group.

10 2.2 Region Descriptions and Region Arithmetic

The region arithmetic and data structure of the preferred embodiment has the following properties:

- to allow the representation of *complex* regions, including convex regions, concave regions and regions with holes. This is necessary so that a region will be reasonably able 15 to follow the geometry of the graphic object it represents;
- is space efficient. In a complicated composition there will be many regions. For memory efficiency, it is therefore preferable that the cost of storing these regions is reasonably small;
- the region arithmetic should support basic set operations - Union, Intersection and 20 Difference;
- the above-noted basic operations should be efficient in terms of speed. In a complex compositing tree, it is possible that a large amount of region arithmetic will be undertaken. A poor implementation of region arithmetic could lead to the time taken by region arithmetic being greater than the time saved from the reduction in per-pixel 25 compositing;
- it is advantageous if the region description can be geometrically translated efficiently. In cases where a graphic object is translated, the graphics objects associated regions can then be translated quickly; and
- it is sometimes helpful to be able to quickly compare two regions to determine if they are 30 the same. It is not necessary to obtain any other statistics on their similarity, simple equality is all that is required.

Two conventional region description techniques were considered and rejected for the preferred embodiment. These were-

35 **Polygons:** A polygon can be used to represent almost any object, the disadvantage of using a polygon, however, is that a polygon's generality makes implementing the set

operations slow and inefficient.

Quadtrees: Using quadtrees, set operations are easy to implement and are quite efficient. In addition, they can represent a wide variety of regions given sufficient granularity (all edges in a quadtree have to be axis-parallel). Their major failing is that all quadtrees must be aligned on the same grid (granularity). This means that it is impossible to simply translate a quadtree by an arbitrary amount. Unless that amount is a multiple of the underlying grid size, the quadtree will need to be recalculated from the object it describes (otherwise it will keep growing). Therefore, quadtrees are not suitable in application domains where geometric translation is a frequent operation.

10 The region description data structure of the preferred embodiment can be understood by imagining that along a vertical line every coordinate has a state which is one of either inside or outside the region. The data structure stores those y co-ordinates at which some change of state between inside and outside occurs. For each such y co-ordinate, the data contains spans of coordinates each of which toggles the state of every vertical line running through the data. Each span of x co-ordinates is called a run. 15 The sequence of runs associated with a y co-ordinate is called a row. For example, the region of Fig. 16 could be described by the following:

row y = 10 : x = 10, x = 100

row y = 100 : x = 10, x = 100

20 Similarly, the regions of Fig. 17 could be described by the following:

row y = 10 : x = 10, x = 100

row y = 30 : x = 30, x = 70

row y = 70 : x = 30, x = 70

row y = 100 : x +10, x = 100

25 The data representing a region is represented by an array of integer values. There are two "special" values -

R_NEXT_IS_Y A beginning-of-row marker. Indicates that the next integer in the sequence will represent a y coordinate.

R_EOR Stands for End-of-Region. Indicates that the region description has finished.

30 All other values represent x or y coordinates. The x coordinates in a row represent runs. The first two co-ordinates represent a run, then the next two represent the next run and so on. Therefore, the x coordinates in a row should always be increasing. Also, there

should always be an even number of x-coordinates in a row. The region data stream for Fig. 17 is shown below.

5

```
R_NEXT_IS_Y 10 10 100  
R_NEXT_IS_Y 30 30 70  
R_NEXT_IS_Y 70 30 70  
R_NEXT_IS_Y 100 10 100  
R_EOR
```

The preferred embodiment also contains the bounding box of the region, as this is
10 useful in certain set operations.

As seen in Fig. 6, if two region descriptions are combined using a Union operation, then the resultant region description will describe an area in which either region description is active.

15 As seen in Fig. 7, if two region descriptions are combined using the Intersection operation, then the resultant region description will describe an area in which both the region descriptions are active.

If two region descriptions are combined using the Difference operation, then the resultant region will describe an area in which *only the first region is active*, as seen in Fig. 8.

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2.3 Constructing Region Groups:

2.3.1 Constructing Leaf Node Region Groups

A region group for a leaf node will typically contain one or more regions, which together fully contain the non-transparent area of the graphical object represented by the leaf node. Typically, the non-transparent area is divided into regions where each region has some property that facilitates optimization. For example, the non-transparent area of some graphical object can be divided into two regions, one fully opaque and the other with ordinary opacity. The above mentioned compositing optimizations would apply where the opaque region is composited.

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Alternatively, the leaf node could be subdivided based on some other attribute. For example, a leaf node could be divided into two regions, one representing an area of constant colour, the other representing blended colour. Areas of constant colour may be composited more efficiently than areas with more general colour description.

2.3.1.1 Region Formation and Phasing

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When creating regions, it is not always beneficial that region boundaries follow graphical object boundaries precisely. What is important is that any property that facilitates optimization is valid at all points within a region said to have that property.

For example, an opaque circle could be covered exactly by one circular region which is classified as opaque, or by two approximate regions, one fully opaque octagonal region inscribed in the circle, and one annular octagonal region of ordinary opacity that includes the remainder of the circle plus some area exterior to the circle.

5 There is typically a trade-off between how closely region boundaries follow graphical object boundaries and the benefits obtained. If region boundaries follow object boundaries very closely, a lot of work is usually involved in creating the region boundaries and in performing intersections and differences of regions (the reasons for needing to perform such operations are explained in later sections). However, if region
10 boundaries are too approximate, they may either include large areas that are outside the objects' boundaries, resulting in too much unnecessary compositing, or they may fail to include large areas where known properties lead to optimization.

One approach, as illustrated in the appendix, is to limit region boundaries to sequences of horizontal and vertical segments. Using this approach, the typical segment
15 size is chosen so that there is neither too much detail so that the region operations are overburdened, nor too much approximation to result in wasted compositing or insufficient optimization.

One method to improve the efficiency of region operations is to choose as many as is practical of the horizontal and vertical segments of substantially all region boundaries
20 to be in phase. In other words, the horizontal and vertical segments are to be chosen from the horizontal and vertical lines of the same grid. The grid need not be regularly spaced, nor have the same spacing horizontally and vertically, although typically it will.

Choosing the horizontal and vertical segments from the horizontal and vertical lines
25 of the same grid improves the efficiency of region operations by seeking to keep all region boundary detail to the level of detail contained in the underlying grid. Without constraining the majority of region boundary segments to a grid, region operators such as difference and intersection tend to produce a lot more fine detail. For example, in Fig.
30 21, two circles 901 and 902 are shown with respective regions 903 and 904 that are not grid-aligned. These circles are overlapped yielding difference regions 905 and 907, and intersection region 906. In Fig. 22, the same circles 901 and 902 have regions 913 and 914 that are aligned to grid 910. These circles are overlapped yielding difference regions 915 and 917 and intersection region 916. It can be seen in this example that the grid-aligned regions yield less detailed results at the expense of slightly less efficient region coverage. Regions 905, 906 and 907 together contain a total of sixty segments, while
35 regions 915, 916 and 917 together contain only fifty-two.

2.3.2 Creating Binary Region Groups

The region groups of binary nodes in the compositing tree on the other hand are the result of combining the region groups of their child nodes. It will now be explained how region groups are combined to form new region groups. In this section, for simplicity 5 only "OVER" and "IN" binary nodes will be dealt with. The operations required for binary nodes representing other compositing operators can easily be inferred from combining the "OVER" and "IN" cases in various ways.

For the sake of clarity, the method of the preferred embodiment is initially described without reference to optimization based properties such as opacity.

10 The following notation will be beneficial when considering binary region group creation:

| Notation | |
|------------|---|
| RG1 | The region group of the binary node's left child |
| RG2 | The region group of the binary node's right child |
| RG | The region group of the binary node. It is this region group that is being initialised |
| RG1→urgn | The region description representing the union of all RG1's region descriptions (RG1's coverage region). |
| RG2→urgn | The region description representing the union of all RG2's region descriptions (RG2's coverage region). |
| RG→urgn | The union of all RG's region descriptions (to be initialised) (RG's coverage region) |
| rg1i | The current region in RG1 |
| rg2j | The current region in RG2 |
| rg1i→rgn | rg1i's region description |
| rg2j→rgn | rg2j's region description |
| rg1i→proxy | rg1i's proxy |
| rg2j→proxy | rg2j's proxy |

2.3.2.1 Constructing "OVER" Region Groups

When constructing "OVER" region groups, only areas where the contributing 15 region groups intersect need to be composited. Areas where one operand does not overlap the other involve no compositing. The method is broken into three iterative steps. First, the coverage region of the region group of the binary node that is being initialised (RG→urgn) is made equal to the union of the coverage regions of the binary nodes left

child ($RG1 \rightarrow urg_n$) and the binary node's right child ($RG2 \rightarrow urg_n$). Then, for each region rg_i in $RG1$, the difference ($diff_rgn$) between that region and $RG2$'s coverage region ($RG2 \rightarrow urg_n$) is then calculated. If the difference ($diff_rgn$) is non-empty then a new region with $diff_rgn$ as its region description is added to RG . The proxy of this new difference region can be the same as the proxy rgl_i . No compositing is required to generate it. The difference regions between $RG2$'s regions and $RG1$'s coverage region are similarly constructed and added to RG . Finally, the intersection ($inter_rgn$) between each region rgl_i in $RG1$ and each region $rg2_j$ in $RG2$ is calculated. If the result of this intersection is non-empty, then a new proxy (new_p) is created by compositing rgl_i 's proxy with $rg2_j$'s proxy using the over operation with the $inter_rgn$. A new region is then added to RG with $inter_rgn$ as its region description and new_p as its proxy. The method of constructing "OVER" groups in accordance with the preferred embodiment is described below using pseudo-code.

```
15    $RG \rightarrow urg_n = RG1 \rightarrow urg_n \cup RG2 \rightarrow urg_n$ 
      FOR i = 0 TO number of regions in  $RG1$  DO
         $diff\_rgn = rg1_i \rightarrow rgn$  difference  $RG2 \rightarrow urg_n$ 
        IF  $diff\_rgn$  is non-empty THEN
          ADD to  $RG$  a new region with  $diff\_rgn$  as its region description and
           $rg1_i \rightarrow proxy$  as its proxy. (*)
        END IF
        FOR j = 0 TO number of regions in  $RG2$  DO
           $inter\_rgn = rg1_i \rightarrow rgn$  intersection  $rg2_j \rightarrow rgn$ 
          IF  $inter\_rgn$  is non-empty THEN
            create new proxy  $new\_p$  initialised to OVER of  $rg1_i \rightarrow proxy$  and
             $rg2_j \rightarrow proxy$  inside  $inter\_rgn$ .
            ADD to  $RG$  a new region with  $inter\_rgn$  as its region description
            and  $new\_p$  as its proxy. (+)
          END IF
        END DO
      END DO
      FOR j = 0 TO number of regions in  $RG2$  DO
         $diff\_rgn = rg2_j \rightarrow rgn$  difference  $RG1 \rightarrow urg_n$ 
        IF  $diff\_rgn$  is non-empty THEN
          ADD to  $RG$  a new region with  $diff\_rgn$  as its region description and
```

rg2_j→proxy as its proxy. (*)

END IF

END DO

5 The regions added by the ADD operations marked with asterisks (*) above are termed difference regions since their shape is the result of a difference operation. Such regions are very cheap computationally because their proxies require no compositing. The only work involved is the administrative overhead of adding a new region to the region group and the cost of the difference operation itself. In accordance with the
10 preferred embodiment, a proxy is inherited from the region (in one of the child region groups) on which it is based. It can be seen that proxies which originate low in the compositing tree can be propagated upwards towards the root with minimal overhead (both in terms of speed and memory) by the use of difference regions.

15 The regions added by the ADD operation marked with the plus (+) are termed intersection regions. This is because their shape is the result of an intersection operation. The proxies of such regions are more expensive to generate than difference regions because they involve per-pixel compositing operations to be done within the area defined by the intersection. The more fidelity granted the region descriptions, the greater the saving in pixel processing costs, at the cost of a greater administrative overhead (more complex regions require longer to intersect etc).

20 Figs. 8A to 8D provide a simple example of combining "OVER" region groups using the above method. The region group resulting from the combination contains 5 regions, 3 difference regions and 2 are intersection regions. Fig. 8A represents two region groups RG1 and RG2 which are to be combined. RG1 contains two regions 81 and 82, whereas RG2 only contains a single region 83. As seen in Fig 8B, for each region in RG1, RG2's region coverage is subtracted from it. If the resultant region is non-empty, the resultant region becomes a region in the new region group. In this example both regions 81 and 83 produce non-empty difference regions 84 and 85 respectively. For each region in RG2, RG1's region coverage is subtracted from it, as seen in Fig 8C. In this example difference region 86 is produced. Finally, every region in RG1 is intersected with every region in RG2, as seen in Fig 8D. Any non-empty region becomes a region in the new region group. In this example, regions 81 and 83 produce 87. Further, regions 82 and 83 produce 88.

2.3.2.2 Constructing "IN" Region Groups

35 The properties of the "IN" operator lead to the fact that an "IN" binary region group

only produces pixel data in the region of intersection between the two contributing region groups. Essentially, when compared to the algorithm used for "OVER" region groups, only intersection regions are generated. Therefore, for each region $rg1_i$ of RG1, and for each region $rg2_j$ of RG2 the intersection ($inter_rgn_{ij}$) between $rg1_i$ and $rg2_j$ is calculated.

- 5 If the intersection is non-empty then a new proxy (new_p) is created by compositing $rg1_i$'s proxy with $rg2_j$'s proxy using the "in" operation within $inter_rgn_{ij}$. A new region is then added to RG with $inter_rgn$ as its region description and new_p as its proxy. The pseudocode describing the method of constructing "IN" region groups in accordance to the preferred embodiment is provided below:

10

```
RG→urgn = RG1→urgn intersection RG2→urgn
FOR i = 0 TO number of regions in RG1 DO
    FOR j = 0 TO number of regions in RG2 DO
        inter_rgn = rg1i→rgn intersection rg2j→rgn
    15    IF inter_rgn is non-empty THEN
            create new proxy new_p initialised to IN of rg1i→proxy and
            rg2j→proxy inside inter_rgn.
            ADD to RG a new region with inter_rgn as its region description
            and new_p as its proxy. (+)
    20    END IF
    END DO
END DO
```

25 The major difference between the "IN" and the "OVER" cases is that the "OVER" case generates difference regions while "IN" does not. In the example demonstrated by Figs. 8A to 8D, only new regions 97 and 98 would be generated, as these are intersection regions. Difference regions 94, 95 and 96 would not be generated using "IN".

Using Table 2 below and the pseudocode examples of "OVER" and "IN", the relevant code for other compositing operators can be derived.

30 **2.3.2.3 Constructing Region Groups of Other Compositing Operators**

Other compositing operators typically generate the same intersection regions as the "OVER" and "IN" cases do. However, they typically differ from one another (as indeed from "OVER" and "IN") in what difference regions they generate. This is dependent on the particular properties of each compositing operator. Table 2 summarises which difference regions are generated for some commonly used compositing operators.

TABLE 2

| Compositing Operator | Generate Diff Rgns from RG1 ? | Generate Diff Rgns from RG2 ? |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Over | Yes | Yes |
| In | No | No |
| Out | Yes | No |
| Atop | No | Yes |
| Xor | Yes | Yes |
| Plus | Yes | Yes |

2.4 Optimising using Opaque Areas

The preferred embodiment stores within each region a flag indicating whether the
5 pixel data in the region proxy is completely opaque. It is therefore possible to reduce the
number of per-pixel compositing operations by exploiting the effect opaque operands
have on the compositing operators.

2.4.1 Opaque Area Optimisation for "Over" Region Groups

If an opaque region is "OVER" another region, then there is no need to compute the
10 result of the composite, as no part of the right operand region's proxy is visible through
the left operand's opaque proxy. In the preferred embodiment, the resultant region is
made to reference the right operand's proxy, which has the same effect as actually doing
the composite.

The method for opaque area optimisation for "OVER" region groups is a slightly
15 modified version of the "OVER" region group construction method provided previously.
The only difference is that when calculating the intersection region of the current region
in RG1 and each region of RG2, a check is carried out to see whether the current region
in RG1 is opaque. If this is the case, then the proxy of the newly calculated region
(new_p) will be the proxy of the current region in RG1.

20 The method is illustrated using the following pseudocode :

```
RG→urgn = RG1→urgn union RG2→urgn
FOR i = 0 TO number of regions in RG1 DO
    diff_rgn = rg1i→rgn difference RG2→urgn
    25 IF diff_rgn is non-empty THEN
        ADD to RG a new region with diff_rgn as its region description and
        rg1i→proxy as its proxy. (*)
        END IF
```

```
FOR j = 0 TO number of regions in RG2 DO
    inter_rgn = rg1i→rgn intersection rg2j→rgn
    IF inter_rgn is non-empty THEN
        IF rg1i is OPAQUE THEN
            new_p = rg1i→proxy
        ELSE
            create new proxy new_p initialised to OVER of rg1i→proxy
            and rg2j→proxy inside inter_rgn.
        END IF
    10     ADD to RG a new region with inter_rgn as its region description
    and new_p as its proxy. (+)
    END IF
    END DO
END DO
15     FOR j = 0 TO number of regions in RG2 DO
        diff_rgn = rg2j→rgn difference RG1→rgn
        IF diff_rgn is non-empty THEN
            ADD to RG a new region with diff_rgn as its region description and
            rg2j→proxy as its proxy. (*)
        20     END IF
    END DO
```

2.4.2 Opaque Area Optimisation for "IN" Region Groups

If a region is "IN" an opaque region, then according to the properties of the "IN" operator, the resultant pixel data is the same as that of the left operand. This can be achieved by having the resultant region simply reference the proxy of the left operand. The method of the preferred embodiment is a slightly modified version of the "IN" region group construction method provided previously. The only difference is that when calculating the intersection region of the current region in RG1 and each region of RG2, a check is carried out to see whether the current region in RG2 is opaque. If this is the case, then the proxy of the newly calculated region (new_p) will be the proxy of the current region in RG1.

The technique is illustrated using the following pseudocode:

```
RG→urgn = RG1→urgn intersection RG2→urgn
FOR i = 0 TO number of regions in RG1 DO
    FOR j = 0 TO number of regions in RG2 DO
        inter_rgn = rg1i→rgn intersection rg2j→rgn
5       IF inter_rgn is non-empty THEN
            IF rg2j is OPAQUE THEN
                new_p = rg1i→proxy
            ELSE
                create new proxy new_p initialised to IN of rg1i→proxy and
10      rg2j→proxy inside inter_rgn.
                END IF
                ADD to RG a new region with inter_rgn as its region description
                and new_p as its proxy. (+)
                END IF
15      END DO
END DO
```

2.5 Initialising the Entire Tree

The entire compositing tree can be initialised by using the above-described method
20 of the preferred embodiment on every binary region group in the tree. A node cannot be initialised until its children have been initialised. Therefore the process simply starts at the bottom of the tree and works its way up towards the root. The process first checks to see if the current node is a leaf node. If this is the case, then a leaf node region group is constructed. However, in the case that the current node is a binary node then a binary
25 node region group is constructed using the method of the preferred embodiment outlined in sections 2.4.1 and 2.4.2. The following pseudocode outlines a method for initialising all the region groups of the tree. The method utilises a recursive function, which is called passing the root of the tree as an argument.

```
30  tree_init(node : tree ptr)
BEGIN
    IF node is a leaf node THEN
        CONSTRUCT leaf node region group
    ELSE
35      tree_init(node→left)
```

and proxies) using the method described above. A further embodiment of the above mentioned preferred method, which supports dynamic rendering is described below. The compositing tree represents an image. Changes to the tree can be made to make the tree represent a new image. The tree's region groups (and tree region description and proxies) are updated to reflect this modified tree. Performance is improved by exploiting commonality between the two images. An example will illustrate the techniques and terminology of the further embodiment.

Fig. 3 shows the region subdivision and the respective compositing expressions (advantage is not taken of opacity) for the simple compositing tree. Consider therefore the situation in which object A moves by a small amount relative to the other objects. Some regions in the region group at the root of the tree will be affected by A moving.

If opaque case optimisations are ignored, the regions with compositing expressions which include A will be significantly affected by A moving. The region numbers which are so affected are 2, 3, 5 and 6. When updating the region group at the root of the tree, those regions will need both their region descriptions and their proxies completely recalculated. This situation is known in the further embodiment as primary damage. Any region whose compositing equation includes an object which has changed in some way, may be said to suffer primary damage.

Regions that abut regions which have A in their compositing expression are also effected by A moving, though not as severely as those regions with primary damage. In the example, these other affected regions are 1, 4, 7 and 8. When updating the region group at the root of the tree, these regions will need their region descriptions recalculated. However, their proxies will only need to be recalculated in areas of the new region which were not included in the corresponding earlier region. This situation is known in the further embodiment as secondary damage. Generally, secondary damage is incurred if an object upon which a region's boundary (but not content) depends, changes in some way.

In order to reduce the per-frame update cost, it is important to reduce, as far as is practicable, the amount of work necessary, both in terms of per-pixel operations, but also in terms of region group operations. The concepts of primary and secondary damage are a way of facilitating this. If the preferred embodiment is able to accurately determine the minimum set of regions throughout all the compositing tree which have some kind of damage, then obviously the amount of work being done is reduced. The following sections describe how the reduction in work done is achieved.

3.1 Basic Data Model

The data model used for static rendering, consisting as it does of a region

to create a new contents label that represents the symbolic expression that represents the combination of the contributing expressions. For example, if the contents label representing ((A comp B) comp C) is combined with the contents label representing (D comp E) then a new contents label will be created which represents (((A comp B) comp C) comp (D comp E)).

As well as contents labels, dependency information is also required. Dependency information indicates how a given contents label is related to other contents labels, both in terms of how the contents of one region contribute to contents of other regions, and how change of a region boundary affect the boundary of other regions. The further embodiment associates the following data with each contents label.

(i) Primary Dependency List: Each primary dependency is a contents label L' to which a contents label L directly contributes. In other words, a “primary dependency” is a contents label L' representing an expression which has been constructed by combining L and some other contents label. Each time contents labels are combined, the contents label for the combination is added to the primary dependencies of all contributors.

(ii) Secondary Dependency List: Each secondary dependency is a contents label L'' which can be indirectly affected if the image represented by the contents label L has changed in some way that affects its boundary. Whenever contents labels are combined, a contributing contents label is added to the secondary steps of the continuation if and only if the compositing operator yields a difference region with said contributing contents label. Table 2 shows which of some commonly used operators yield difference regions for their left and right operands. In addition, for a combination of (A comp B), the secondary dependencies of the combination contents labels for all $(A \text{ comp } b_i)$ and all $(a_j \text{ comp } B)$ are added, where a_j are the secondary dependencies of A and b_i are the secondary dependencies of B.

(iii) Property Information: Each contents label can represent contents which have properties which the compositing engine may be able to exploit. An example is that of opaqueness. If a contents label represents opaque content, then compositing that content could be much faster, as for certain operators, no per-pixel compositing operations would be required.

3.3 Contents Label Implementation

The further embodiment uses unique integers as contents labels, and stores a number representing the number of contents labels which currently exist. When a new contents label is created, the number is incremented and becomes the unique integer representing the contents label. This technique of assigning a contents label by

monotonically incrementing an integer means that the contents labels' associated data structures can be stored in a one dimensional array which grows as more contents labels are added. A content label's data structure can be referenced simply by using the contents label as an index. When a leaf node contents label is created, the contents label
5 is initialised to have no primary or secondary dependencies. If the current leaf node contents label is opaque, then a flag is set in content label i's properties.

The pseudocode below illustrates the basic techniques used to create a new contents label which is not dependent on other contents labels (ie: a leaf node region group contents label):

10

Notation

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| opaque | A flag passed to the function which indicates whether or not the contents label represents opaque content or not. |
| cur_clab | A global integer which stores the last contents label created. |
| clabs | A global array which stores the associated data structures of the contents label. |
| clabs[i]->pri_deps | A pointer to the head of content label i's primary dependency list. |
| clabs[i]->sec_deps | A pointer to the head of content label i's secondary dependency list. |
| clabs[i]->properties | A flag register representing contents label i's properties. |

create_new_contents_label
(
 opaque : boolean
15) : RETURNS unsigned int
BEGIN
 INCREMENT cur_clab.
 clabs[cur_clab]->pri_deps = NULL.
 clabs[cur_clab]->sec_deps = NULL.
20 IF opaque THEN
 clabs[cur_clab]->properties = OPAQUE.
 ELSE
 clabs[cur_clab]->properties = 0.
 END IF
25 RETURN cur_clab.

END create_new_contents_label.

5 Contents labels can also be created to represent the combination of existing contents labels. This is achieved in the further embodiment by a hash table which maps an operation and the contents labels of its operands (hashed together to create a key) to a single contents label representing the result.

10 When a region is created which represents an intersection between two other regions (each with its own contents label), a new contents label is generated which is used to tag the new region. When this new contents label is generated, it must be added to the primary dependency lists of both its contributing operands. A secondary dependency list which depends on the secondary dependencies of the two contributing contents labels as well as the properties of the compositing operator must also be generated.

15 The process is recursive and begins by adding the newly created contents label (new_cl) to the primary dependency lists of the contributing contents labels. Then, depending on the properties of the compositing operator, none, either or both of the contributing contents labels are added to the secondary dependency list. Then every contents label representing (clab1 op sd2_i) and (sd1_i op tab2) are added to the secondary dependency list.

Notation

| | |
|------------------|--|
| clab1 | The first contributing contents label. |
| clab2 | The second contributing contents label. |
| sd1 _i | The i'th element of clab1's secondary dependency list. |
| sd2 _i | The i'th element of clab2's secondary dependency list. |

20 create_binary_contents_label
(
 clab1 : contents label,
 clab2 : contents label,
25 op: compositing operator
)
BEGIN
 IF the hash table already contains an entry representing clab1 op clab2
 THEN
30 RETURN the existing contents label representing the combination.

END IF
Generate a new entry in the hash table representing clab1 op clab2, mapping to new_cl.

5 (Add the new contents label to the primary dependency lists of the contributing contents labels if the compositing op requires it)

add_to_primary_dep_list(clab1, new_cl)
add_to_primary_dep_list(clab2, new_cl)

10 (Generate the secondary dependencies)

IF op generates left diff rgns THEN

 add clab1 to secondary deps

END IF

IF op generates right diff rgns THEN

15 add clab2 to secondary deps

END IF

FOR i = 0 TO number of elements in sd1 DO

 add_to_secondary_dep_list

(

20 new_cl,
 create_binary_contents_label(sd1_i, clab2)

)

END DO

25 FOR i = 0 TO number of elements in sd2 DO

 add_to_secondary_dep_list

(

 new_cl,
 create_binary_contents_label(clab1, sd2_j)

30)

END DO

END construct_binary_contents_label

3.4 Combining Region Groups for Dynamic Rendering

35 Before any incremental updates can be made to a compositing tree, the com-

positing tree must be constructed to be in a consistent initial state. The basic technique for achieving this is the same as that used for static rendering, except that support for contents labels is included.

Leaf node region groups are initialised essentially as with the static rendering case,
5 except that each region in each leaf node region group is tagged with a unique contents label. Each contents label can in turn be tagged with various categorisation properties which may help the renderer to be more efficient. For example, a contents label can be tagged as being completely opaque.

The initialisation of binary nodes is also similar to the static rendering case. By
10 way of example, the way in which the region group for an "OVER" binary node is constructed will now be explained. The techniques for constructing the region groups of the other compositing operators can easily be inferred from the "OVER" case.

When a difference region between rg_i of one operand and the coverage region of the other operand is calculated, the difference region inherits the contents label rg_i . When an intersection region is created, on the other hand, a new contents label is created by combining the contents labels of the two contributing regions since the two contributing regions had their proxies composited into a new proxy which means new content. The pseudocode for constructing an "OVER" region group which includes contents label management is provided below:

20

Notation

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| RG1 | The region group of the binary node's left child |
| RG2 | The region group of the binary node's right child |
| RG | The region group of the binary node. It is this region group that we are initialising |
| $RG1 \rightarrow urg_n$ | The region description representing the union of all RG1's region descriptions (RG1's coverage region). |
| $RG1 \rightarrow urg_n$ | The region description representing the union of all RG2's region descriptions (RG2's coverage region). |
| $RG \rightarrow urg_n$ | The union of all RG's region descriptions. |
| $rg1i$ | The current region in RG1 |
| $rg2j$ | The current region in RG2 |
| $rg1i \rightarrow rgn$ | $rg1i$'s region description |
| $rg2j \rightarrow rgn$ | $rg2j$'s region description |
| $rg1i \rightarrow proxy$ | $rg1i$'s proxy |

rg2j→proxy | rg2j's proxy

```
RG→urgn = RG1→urgn union RG2→urgn
FOR i = 0 TO number of regions in RG1 DO
    5      diff_rgn = rg1i→rgn difference RG2→urgn
            IF diff_rgn is non-empty THEN
                ADD to RG a new region with diff_rgn as its region description,
                rg1i→proxy as its proxy and rg1i→clab as its contents label.
                END IF
    10     FOR j = 0 TO number of regions in RG2 DO
            inter_rgn = rg1i→rgn intersection rg2j→rgn
            IF inter_rgn is non-empty THEN
                new_clab = GENERATE a new unique contents label as a result
                of combining rg1i→clab and rg2j→clab.
            15     IF rg1i→clab is OPAQUE THEN
                    new_p = rg1i→proxy
                ELSE
                    create new proxy new_p initialised to OVER of rg1i→proxy
                    and rg2j→proxy inside inter_rgn.
            20     END IF
                ADD to RG a new region with inter_rgn as its region description,
                new_p as its proxy and new_clab as its contents label.
                END IF
            END DO
    25     END DO
        FOR j = 0 TO number of regions in RG2 DO
            diff_rgn = rg2j→rgn difference RG1→urgn
            IF diff_rgn is non-empty THEN
                ADD to RG a new region with diff_rgn as its region description,
        30    rg2j→proxy as its proxy and rg2j→clab as its contents label.
                END IF
        END DO
```

3.5 Secondary Dependencies and Over

The rationale behind the preferred method used for generating secondary dependencies requires more explanation. Secondary dependencies are only generated when a new contents label is created by combining two other contents labels. As can be seen in the above pseudocode, this only occurs when an intersection region is generated. Essentially, the further embodiment uses contents labels generated for intersection regions as triggers - the regions tagged with two contents labels cannot indirectly affect one another unless they intersect. The secondary dependency list for a particular contents label is dependent on the compositing operator the composite contents label represents, the two contributing contents labels and their secondary dependency lists.

The method of the further embodiment of generating a secondary dependency list for a new contents label (C) which represents one contents label (A) composited over another contents label (B) using the "OVER" operator will now be explained. Elements of A's and B's secondary dependency lists are referred to as A_i and B_i respectively. First, both A and B are added to C's secondary dependency list. This is because if the region tagged with C changes its boundary, then it is likely that any regions tagged with A and B will need to be recalculated (because their regions are likely to abut C's region). Next, for each element of B's secondary dependency list, each contents labels representing (A_i OVER B_i) is added. A mapping representing A OVER B_i may not currently exist in the system and needs to be created. A secondary dependency list can contain contents labels which are not represented by any region in a region group. They could come into existence by changes in region boundaries. The rationale is that A intersects B, and therefore it is likely that A also intersects regions tagged with contents labels which exist in B's secondary dependency list. Similarly, for each element of A's secondary dependency list, each contents label representing (A_i OVER B) is added.

3.6 Contents Labels and Damage

The concepts of primary and secondary damage were introduced with reference to Fig. 3 to demonstrate that it is not always necessary to regenerate an entire image as a result of a change to the compositing tree. By keeping track of dependencies between regions of different content, it only becomes necessary to regenerate image data in regions whose contents have become damaged. The following explanation outlines the dependencies and damage for simple compositing tree changes. "Simple" means that only leaf nodes are modified. More complex change scenarios such as tree structure changes etc will be outlined in later sections.

If a leaf node is modified, the contents labels of its affected regions are said to be

“primary damaged”. Primary-damaging a contents label involves recursively primary-damaging all its primary dependencies. Whenever a contents label is primary-damaged, all its secondary dependencies are non-recursively marked with secondary damage. The process begins by flagging the contents label to be damaged. The following pseudocode 5 demonstrates how contents labels can be damaged:

Notation

| | |
|------|---|
| clab | The contents label to be damaged |
| pdi | The i'th element of clab's primary dependency list. |
| sdi | The i'th element of clab's secondary dependency list. |

```
damage_contents_label
(
10    clab : contents label,
)
BEGIN
    FLAG clab with PRIMARY damage
15    FOR i = 0 TO number of elements in sd DO
        FLAG sdi with SECONDARY damage
        END DO
    FOR i = 0 TO number of elements in pd DO
20        damage_contents_label(pdii)
        END DO
END damage_contents_label
```

When a tree update occurs, any region with its contents label marked as having 25 primary damage will need to recalculate both its region boundaries and its proxy. Any region with its contents label marked as having secondary damage will need to recalculate its region description but will only need to recalculate its proxy in areas of the new region that were not included in the earlier region.

3.7 Examples of Contents Labels and Dependencies

30 In order to clarify the concepts of contents labels and damage, some examples of

varying complexity will be presented.

3.7.1 Example 1

Fig. 9 will result in the following contents label table after the compositing tree is initially constructed (Note: in the following table contents labels are represented as unique strings not as integers where "over" has been abbreviated to "o". This is simply for readability.):

| Contents Label | Primary Deps. | Secondary Deps. |
|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| A | AoB | |
| B | AoB | |
| AoB | | A, B |

If A moves, then AoB will have primary damage, resulting in B having secondary damage.

3.7.2 Example 2

Fig. 10 will result in the following contents label table after the compositing tree is initially constructed:

| Contents Label | Primary Deps. | Secondary Deps. |
|----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| A | AoB, AoC | |
| B | AoB, BoC | |
| AoB | AoBoC | A, B |
| C | AoC, BoC, (AoB)oC | |
| AoC | | A, C |
| BoC | | B, C |
| (AoB)oC | | AoB, C, AoC, BoC |

In this example, every object intersects every other object, so if something changes, everything will be damaged in some way - everything which is a primary dependency of the changed object will have primary damage, whereas everything else will have secondary damage.

Fig. 11 illustrates the effect of A moving in a subsequent frame. As can be seen, if A is damaged, the regions defined by A, AoB, AoC and (AoB)oC will each have primary damage. The regions defined by B, C and BoC will each have secondary damage.

3.7.3 Example 3

Fig. 12 will result in the following contents label table after the compositing tree is initially constructed:

| Contents Label | Primary Deps. | Secondary Deps. |
|----------------|--|--|
| A | AoB, AoC, AoE, Ao(DoE), AoD | |
| B | AoB, BoC, BoE | |
| AoB | AoBoE | A, B |
| D | DoE, AoD, CoD, (AoC)oD | |
| E | DoE, AoE, (AoB)oE, BoE, CoE, (BoC)oE, (AoC)oE | |
| DoE | Ao(DoE), (AoC)o(DoE), Co(DoE) | D, E |
| C | AoC, BoC, Co(DoE), CoE, CoD | |
| AoC | AoCoE, (AoC)o(DoE), (AoC)oD | A, C |
| BoC | (BoC)oE | B, C |
| AoE | | A, E |
| (AoB)oE | | AoB, E, AoE, BoE |
| BoE | | B, E |
| CoE | | C, E |
| (BoC)oE | | BoC, E, BoE, CoE |
| AoD | | A, D |
| CoD | | C, D |
| (AoC)oE | | AoC, E, AoE, CoE |
| Ao(DoE) | | A, DoE, AoD, AoE |
| Co(DoE) | | C, DoE, CoD, CoE |
| (AoC)o(DoE) | | AoC, DoE, Ao(DoE), Co(DoE), (AoC)oD, (AoC)oE |
| (AoC)oD | | AoC, D, AoD, CoD |

Since A intersects every other object, if A moves, a large amount of the compositing tree will need to be recomputed. Fig. 13 shows that the only part left alone is the area corresponding to BoC and its dependent BoCoE. To summarise:

5 o Primary Damage - A, AoB, AoC, AoE, Ao(DoE), (AoB)oE, (AoC)oE,
(AoC)o(DoE), AoD, (AoC)oD

o Secondary Damage - B, C, E, DoE, BoE, CoE, DoE, CoDoE

On the other hand, if B moves, the amount of damage is less than if A moved. This is because B doesn't intersect D, DoE, Ao(DoE), (AoC)o(DoE), Co(DoE) and (AoC)oE
10 (and their ancestors) are not damaged when B moves. This is shown in Fig. 14. The rest of the damage is summarised as:

o Primary Damage - B, AoB, BoC, BoE, (AoB)oE, (BoC)oE

o Secondary Damage - A, E, C, AoE, CoE

The examples presented so far are simple, but they are sufficient to demonstrate that the dependencies techniques presented so far will damage those contents labels which are affected when a particular contents label/s is(are) damaged. In a typical complex composite, it is rare for large numbers of objects to intersect a large number of other objects, meaning that large areas of the compositing tree should be untouched during updates using the above technique.

3.8 Example of Secondary Dependencies and Compositing Operators

Consider a modified version of Example 3 above. Fig. 18 will result in the following contents label table after the compositing tree is initially constructed. Note that AaB represents A ATOP B and AiB represents A IN B etc:

| Contents Label | Primary Deps | Secondary Deps |
|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| A | AaB | |
| B | AaB, BoC | |
| AaB | | B |
| C | BoC, Co(DiE) | |
| BoC | | B, C |
| D | DiE | |
| E | DiE | |
| DiE | Co(DiE) | |
| Co(DiE) | | C, DiE |

As seen in Fig. 18, the ATOP operator clips A to B's bounds, meaning that intersections between A and any of C, D or E never occur. Similar things occur with the IN operator. This means that the objects in this scene are less tightly coupled. For example, if A is changed, then only B and AaB are immediately damaged. Similarly, if E is damaged, it is only possible for DiE to be damaged.

3.9 Updating Region Groups

The further embodiment uses the contents label and damage framework to reduce the amount of work that has to be done to make a binary region group consistent with its updated operands during an update. The further embodiment does this by only updating those regions in a region group whose contents labels have primary or secondary damage, adding any new region which comes into existence as a result of the changes made to the compositing tree, and deleting any region in the right group whose contact no longer exists.

Each different binary operator has a different updating function which deals with the specific requirement of that operator. The process of updating region groups is a two-

pass process. The first pass updates any intersection regions that have been primary damaged and adds any new intersection regions generated due to the damage. Each region of one operand's region group is intersected with each region of the other operand's region group whenever one or both of their corresponding contents labels are primary
5 damaged. If the intersection is non-empty, then the further embodiment determines if a contents label representing the combination exists. If the contents label doesn't exist, one is created and primary damaged. Note that primary damaging a contents label will mark all it's secondary dependencies with secondary damage.

If a region in the region group is currently tagged with the primary damage contents
10 label, the regions boundary and proxy are updated. If no such region exists in this region group, then a new region keyed by this contents label is added to the region group. A new proxy is generated and assigned to this region along with the right description relating from the intersection operation.

A difference between each region group of one operand and the coverage region of
15 the other operand is calculated whenever the regions contents label has primary or secondary damage. If the difference is non-empty and a region tagged with the contents label exists in the region group, then its region description and proxy reference are updated. If such a region doesn't exist then a region keyed by the contents label is added to the region group. The added region is assigned as a coverage region of the difference
20 result and references the proxy of current region.

Each region of one operand's region group is interacted with each region of the other operand's region group whenever the contents label representing their combination has secondary damage and no primary damage. If the intersection is non-empty, the region group is searched looking for a region keyed by the contents label. If such a region exists its region description is updated and its proxy is updated as the difference
25 between the new and old regions. If such a region doesn't exist, then a region keyed by the contents label is created. The created region description is assigned the result of the interaction operation and its proxy generated.

Pseudocode which illustrates a simple algorithm for updating a binary "OVER"
30 region group is provided below.

Notation

| | |
|-----|--|
| RG1 | The region group of the binary node's left child |
| RG2 | The region group of the binary node's right child |
| RG | The region group of the binary node. It is this region group |

| | |
|------------|---|
| | that is being initialised. |
| RG1→urgn | The region description representing the union of all RG1's region descriptions (RG1's coverage region). |
| RG1→urgn | The region description representing the union of all RG2's region descriptions (RG2's coverage region). |
| RG→urgn | The union of all RG's region descriptions. |
| rg1i | The current region in RG1 |
| rg2j | The current region in RG2 |
| rg1i→rgn | rg1i's region description |
| rg2j→rgn | rg2j's region description |
| rg1i→proxy | rg1i's proxy |
| rg2j→proxy | rg2j's proxy |
| rg1i→clab | rg1i's contents label |
| rg2j→clab | rg2j's contents label |

RG→urgn = RG1→urgn union RG2→urgn

(First Pass - this pass is used to deal with primary damage of intersection regions

5

and any new intersection regions generated)

FOR i = 0 TO number of regions in RG1 DO

FOR j = 0 TO number of regions in RG2 DO

IF rg1i→clab has PRIMARY damage OR rg2j→clab has PRIMARY

10 DAMAGE THEN

inter_rgn = rg1i→rgn intersection rg2j→rgn

IF inter_rgn is non-empty THEN

comp_clab = SEARCH for an existing contents label which
represents (rg1i→clab comp rg2j→clab).

15 IF a region tagged with comp_clab already exists in RG

THEN

IF rg1i→clab is OPAQUE THEN

new_p = rg1i→proxy

ELSE

20 create new proxy new_p initialised to OVER of
rg1i→proxy and rg2j→proxy inside inter_rgn.

```

        END IF
        MODIFY the existing region to have inter_rgn as its
region description and new_p as its proxy.

        ELSE
            new_clab = create_binary_contents_label(rg1i→clab,
rg2i→clab).
            IF rg1i→clab is OPAQUE THEN
                new_p = rg1i→proxy
            ELSE
                create new proxy new_p initialised to OVER of
rg1i→proxy and rg2i→proxy inside inter_rgn.
            END IF
            damage_contents_label(new_clab)
            ADD to RG a new region with inter_rgn as its region
description, new_p as its proxy and new_clab as its contents label. (+)
            END IF
            FLAG the region as being 'RETAIN AFTER UPDATE'
        END IF
    END IF
    END DO
END DO

(Second Pass - this pass is used to deal with primary and secondary damage of
difference regions and secondary damage of intersection regions)

FOR i = 0 TO number of regions in RG1 DO
    IF rg1i→clab has PRIMARY or SECONDARY damage THEN
        diff_rgn = rg1i→rgn difference RG2→urgn
        IF diff_rgn is non-empty THEN
            IF a region tagged with rg1i→clab already exists in RG THEN
                MODIFY it to have diff_rgn as its region description and
rg1i→proxy as its proxy.
            ELSE
                ADD to RG a new region with diff_rgn as its region descrip-
tion, rg1i→proxy as its proxy and rg1i→clab as its contents label. (*)
            END IF
    END IF

```

FLAG the region as being 'RETAIN AFTER UPDATE'
END IF
END IF
FOR j = 0 TO number of regions in RG2 DO
5 comp_clab = SEARCH for an existing contents label which represents
(rg1_i→clab comp rg2_j→clab).
IF comp_clab exists AND comp_clab has SECONDARY damage but
NO PRIMARY damage THEN
inter_rgn = rg1_i→rgn intersection rg2_j→rgn
10 IF inter_rgn is non-empty THEN
GET a reference to the existing region tagged in this region
group with comp_clab which MUST exist in this region group
IF rg1_i→clab is OPAQUE THEN
existing regions proxy = rgl_i→proxy
15 ELSE
update_rgn = inter_rgn difference the region's previous
region description:
update existing regions proxy to include OVER of
rgl_i→proxy and rg2_j→proxy inside update region.
20 END IF
MODIFY the existing region to have inter_rgn as its region
description and new_p as its proxy.
FLAG the region as being 'RETAIN AFTER UPDATE'
END IF
25 END IF
END DO
END DO

FOR j= 0 TO number of regions in RG2 DO
30 IF rg2_j→clab has PRIMARY or SECONDARY damage THEN
diff_rgn = rg2_j→rgn difference RG1→urgn
IF diff_rgn is non-empty THEN
IF a region tagged with rg2_j→clab already exists in RG THEN
MODIFY it to have diff_rgn as its region description and
35 rg2_j→proxy as its proxy.

```
      ELSE
          ADD to RG a new region with diff_rgn as its region
          description,           rg2j→proxy as its proxy and rg2j→clab as its contents
          label. (*)
      5       END IF
          FLAG the region as being 'RETAIN AFTER UPDATE'
      END IF
      END IF
END DO
```

10 DELETE all regions of RG which are not marked RETAIN AFTER UPDATE but
whose contents labels have damage, and CLEAR flag in retained regions.

4.0 Tree Modifications (Linking and Unlinking)

15 More complex changes to a compositing tree can be achieved by changing the tree's
structure. Most typical tree structure changes can be made by using two low level
operations, link and unlink.

The unlink operation is used to separate a child node from its parent. After the
operation is completed, the child node has no parent (meaning the child node can be
20 linked in somewhere else), and the parent has a link available (meaning that some other
node can be linked there instead). Nodes in the compositing tree above the unlinked child
contain content which is dependent on the unlinked child. Therefore, at the time of the
next update, the contents label present in the unlinked child at the time of unlinking must
be damaged to ensure that the dependent region groups higher in the tree are
25 appropriately updated. The updating is achieved by the parent node caching away those
contents label existing in its unlinked child. If another subtree is linked in its place and
subsequently unlinked without the region group of the parent being updated, it is not
necessary to cache the contents labels of this new subtree. Pseudocode for the unlink
operation is provided below. Note that the UNLINKED_LEFT or UNLINKED_RIGHT
30 flag is set so that the contents labels of a newly linked subtree may be damaged when
region groups (including their proxies) higher in the tree must then be updated.

```
unlink
(
35     node : compositing tree node
```

```
)  
BEGIN  
    parent = node →parent.  
    node →parent = NULL.  
5     IF node is parent's left child THEN  
        parent →left = NULL.  
        IF parent doesn't have UNLINKED_LEFT set THEN  
            SET the UNLINKED_LEFT flag in parent.  
        ELSE.  
10    RETURN.  
    END IF  
    ELSE IF node is parent's right child THEN  
        parent →right = NULL.  
        IF parent doesn't have UNLINKED_RIGHT set THEN  
15        SET the UNLINKED_RIGHT flat in parent.  
    ELSE  
        RETURN  
    END IF  
    END IF  
20    COPY all the contents labels in node's region group into an array stored in  
    parent →unlinked_clabs.  
END unlink
```

The link operation involves linking a node with no parent to a free link of a parent node. Pseudocode for the operation is provided below:

```
link  
(  
    child : compositing tree node,  
30    parent : compositing tree node,  
    which_link : either LEFT or RIGHT  
)  
BEGIN  
    child →parent = parent  
35    IF which_link is LEFT THEN
```

```
    parent → left = child.  
ELSE  
    parent → right = child.  
END IF  
5 END LINK
```

4.1 Updating the Entire Compositing Tree

If a leaf node in the compositing tree changes, the region group of every node in a direct line from the leaf node to the root of tree must be updated using the methods 10 described above. Fig. 15 shows circled those nodes which need to have their region groups updated if leaf nodes B and H change in some way.

Pseudocode for the tree updating method is provided below:

```
update_tree  
15 (  
    node : compositing tree node  
)  
BEGIN  
    IF node is leaf node THEN  
        Rerender the leaf node and update its region group.  
    ELSE  
        IF unlinking occurred in left subtree or left subtree contains dirty leaf  
        nodes THEN  
            update_tree(node → left).  
        25 END IF.  
        IF unlinking occurred in right subtree or right subtree contains dirty leaf  
        nodes THEN  
            update_tree(node → right).  
        END IF.  
        30 IF node has UNLINKED_LEFT or UNLINKED_RIGHT flags set THEN  
            CALL damage_contents_label on every element of  
            node→unlinked_clabs.  
            IF node has UNLINKED_LEFT set THEN  
                CALL damage_contents_label on every contents label exist-  
            35 ing in node→left's region group.
```

CLEAR the UNLINKED_LEFT flag in node.
END IF
IF node has UNLINKED_RIGHT set THEN
 CALL damage_contents_label on every contents label exist-
5 ing in node→right's region group.
 CLEAR the UNLINKED_RIGHT flag in node.
 END IF
END IF
CALL the region group update routine appropriate for node's composit-
10 ing operator.
 END IF
END update_tree

The embodiments of the invention can be implemented using a conventional
15 general-purpose computer system 2100, such as that shown in Fig. 19, wherein the
process described with reference to Fig. 1 to Fig. 18 are implemented as software
recorded on a computer readable medium that can be loaded into and carried out by the
computer. The computer system 2100 includes a computer module 2101, input devices
2102, 2103 and a display device 2104.

20 With reference to Fig 19, the computer module 2101 includes at least one processor
unit 2105, a memory unit 2106 which typically includes random access memory (RAM)
and read only memory (ROM), input/output (I/O) interfaces including a video interface
2107, keyboard 2118 and mouse 2120 interface 2108 and an I/O interface 2110. The
storage device 2109 can include one or more of the following devices: a floppy disk, a
25 hard disk drive, a CD-ROM drive or similar a non-volatile storage device known to those
skilled in the art. The components 2105 to 2110 of the computer module 2101, typically
communicate via an interconnected bus 2114 and in a manner which results in a usual
mode of operation of the computer system 2100 known to those in the relevant art.
Examples of computer systems on which the embodiments can be practised include IBM-
30 PC/ ATs and compatibles, Sun Sparcstations or alike computer system. In particular, the
pseudocode described herein can be programmed into any appropriate language and
stored for example on the HDD and executed in the RAM 2106 under control of the
processor 2105 with the results being stored in RAM within the video interface 2107 and
reproduced on the display 2116. The programs may be supplied to the system 2100 on a
35 pre-programmed floppy disk or CD-ROM or accessed via a connection with a computer

network, such as the Internet.

The aforementioned preferred method(s) comprise a particular control flow. There are many other variants of the preferred method(s) which use different control flows without departing the spirit or scope of the invention. Furthermore one or more of the 5 steps of the preferred method(s) may be performed in parallel rather sequential.

The foregoing describes only several embodiments of the present invention, and modifications, obvious to those skilled in the art, can be made thereto without departing from the scope of the present invention.

In the context of this specification, the word "comprising" means "including 10 principally but not necessarily solely" or "having" or "including" and not "consisting only of". Variations of the word comprising, such as "comprise" and "comprises" have corresponding meanings.

```
/*
 * region.cpp
 *
 * The implementation of the region manipulation functionality in
 * the Screen OpenPage prototype.
 */

#include "protos.h"

static int union_tot = 0;
static int int_tot = 0;
static int diff_tot = 0;
static int union_full = 0;
static int int_full = 0;
static int diff_full = 0;

/*
 * Some #defs which are used to control the optimisations used in the region
 * builder implementation..
 */
#define R_USE_NEW_IMP
#define RB_FAST_SHIFT_AND_DUP_LOOPS
#define RB_USE_LOOKUP
#define R_NEW_IMP_CONSTRUCTION_LOOP

/*
 * The global variables used to store the temporary results needed during
 * region manipulation operations. Two statically allocated
 * R_RegionBuilder structures are used. This is to allow data to be
 * read from one of them whilst the data required for the next operation
 * is written into the other one. Two pointers r_PrevRB and R_CurRB are
 * used to swap access to the two static structures. The
 * r_grow_region_builder function is called to grow a R_RegionBuilder
 * structure if required.
 */
static R_RegionBuilder    r_RB1 = {0, 0, NULL, NULL};
static R_RegionBuilder    r_RB2 = {0, 0, NULL, NULL};
static R_RegionBuilder    *r_PrevRB = &r_RB1;
static R_RegionBuilder    *R_CurRB = &r_RB2;

/*
 * r_shift_and_dup
 *
 * A 16-byte lookup table which when provided with an unsigned char
 * of the following form xxxy, simply produces xxxx. This lookup table
 * _assumes_ that R_STATE_SIZE is 2. It _won't_ work (and will die
 * horribly) if this isn't the case.
 */
unsigned char r_shift_and_dup[16] = {
    0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x05, 0x05, 0x05, 0x05,
    0x0A, 0x0A, 0x0A, 0x0A,
    0x0F, 0x0F, 0x0F, 0x0F
};

/*
 * A buffer is required to store the new region data whilst a region is
 * being constructed. This buffer is expanded when required.
 */
static R_Int    *r_RgnBuf = NULL;
static int      r_RgnBufSize = 0;

/*
 * A buffer of IntXYMinMax structures is required to store the rectangles
 * generated during R_rects_from_region. This buffer is expanded when
 * required.
 */
static IntXYMinMax  *r_RectBuf = NULL;
```

```
static int          r_RectBufSize = 0;

/*
 * R_FREE_LIST_GROWTH_SIZE
 *
 * This macro defines the number of elements which will be added to
 * free list whenever it is grown.
 */
#define R_FREE_LIST_GROWTH_SIZE      100
/*
 * r_free_list
 *
 * A linked list of unused R_RgnGrowItems which may be used during
 * region construction.
 */
R_RgnGrowItem  *r_free_list = NULL;
/*
 * r_growth_list
 *
 * A linked list of R_RgnGrowItems which represents the current
 * state during region construction.
 */
R_RgnGrowItem  *r_growth_list = NULL;
/*
 * r_grow_region_builder
 *
 * This function simply checks to see if a R_RegionBuilder structure
 * is of the required size. If it isn't the size of both
 * arrays in the R_RegionBuilder structure are doubled.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *   rb      The region builder to be grown.
 *   size    The required size of the arrays in the R_RegionBuilder.
 * Returns:
 *   TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
static int
r_grow_region_builder
(
    R_RegionBuilder      *rb,
    R_Int                size
)
{
    unsigned char    *new_state_data;
    R_Int            *new_rgn_data;
    int               new_size;

    new_size = max(size, rb->rrb_Size * 2);
    new_state_data = (unsigned char *)malloc(new_size * sizeof(unsigned char));
    if (new_state_data == NULL)
        return FALSE;
    new_rgn_data = (R_Int *)malloc(new_size * sizeof(R_Int));
    if (new_rgn_data == NULL)
    {
        free(new_state_data);
        return FALSE;
    }
    if (rb->rrb_StateData != NULL)
    {
        memcpy
        (
            new_state_data,
            rb->rrb_StateData,
            rb->rrb_Size * sizeof(unsigned char)
        );
        free(rb->rrb_StateData);
    }
}
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    }
    if (rb->rrb_RgnData != NULL)
    {
        memcpy
        (
            new_rgn_data,
            rb->rrb_RgnData,
            rb->rrb_Size * sizeof(R_Int)
        );
        free(rb->rrb_RgnData);
    }
    rb->rrb_StateData = new_state_data;
    rb->rrb_RgnData = new_rgn_data;
    rb->rrb_Size = new_size;
    return TRUE;
}

/*
 * r_swap_region_builders
 *
 * This function simply swaps the static pointers to the r_RB1 and r_RB2
 * region builders.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *     None.
 * Returns:
 *     Nothing.
 */
inline static void
r_swap_region_builders()
{
    R_RegionBuilder *tmp;
    tmp = R_CurRB;
    R_CurRB = r_PrevRB;
    r_PrevRB = tmp;
}

/*
 * R_add_row_to_region_builder
 *
 * This function adds a row from a R_Region to a R_RegionBuilder structure.
 * The region from which the row comes is passed as an argument. "Adding"
 * has the following conditions...
 *
 *      * If a pixel run in the row does not exist in the region builder
 *          it is added and it's current state is tagged with the region
 *          to which the row belongs. The previous state is set to 0,
 *          indicating that it did not exist before.
 *      * If a pixel run in the row did exist before, but it's present state
 *          indicates that it came from the other region then the run
 *          is retained but it's state is modified to indicate that
 *          both regions are active at this point.
 *      * If a pixel run in the row did exist before, and it's present
 *          state indicates that the current region then the region is
 *          removed and it's state is modified to indicate that the run is
 *          now empty.
 *      * If a pixel run in the row did exist before, and it's present state
 *          indicates that both regions are currently active then the run
 *          is retained, but its state is modified to indicate that only the
 *          other region is active in this run.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *     row_ptr    A R_Int ** pointer to the row in the region. Used
 *                to return the updated row pointer.
 *     rgn_mask   A mask for the region the row comes from. Must
 *                be either 1 or 2.
 *     first      Whether this is the first region to be processed
 *                on the current scanline.
 *
 * Returns:
 */
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*      TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
*/
#ifndef _R_UTIL_H_
int R_add_row_to_region_builder(
    R_Int     **row_ptr,
    int        rgn_mask,
    int        first
)
{
    R_Int          *row;
    int             src_index;
    int             dest_index;
    R_Int          rb_run_start;
    unsigned char   rb_prev_run_state;
    int             row_on;

    ASSERT(rgn_mask == 1 || rgn_mask == 2);

    row = *row_ptr;
    r_swap_region_builders();
    /*
     * Skip over the row's y value at the beginning.
     */
    ASSERT(*row == R_NEXT_IS_Y);
    row += 2;
    ASSERT(*row != R_NEXT_IS_Y && *row != R_EOR);

    if (r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels == 0)
    {
        /*
         * If the current region builder's src region data array is empty, then
         * we are dealing with an empty region builder. We simply convert
         * the input row to the region builder format.
         */
        row_on = TRUE;
        dest_index = 0;
        while (R_NOT_END_OF_ROW(*row))
        {
            if (++dest_index > R_CurRB->rrb_Size)
            {
                if (!r_grow_region_builder(R_CurRB, dest_index))
                    return FALSE;
            }
            R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData[dest_index - 1] = *row;
            if (row_on)
                R_CurRB->rrb_StateData[dest_index - 1] =
                    (rgn_mask << RB_STATE_SIZE);
            else
                R_CurRB->rrb_StateData[dest_index - 1] = 0;
            row_on = !row_on;
            row++;
        }
        *row_ptr = row;
        R_CurRB->rrb_Nels = dest_index;
        return TRUE;
    }
    /*
     * Firstly, we copy any runs from the region builder which
     * precede this run from the region. We are checking the
     * starting row against the start of each pixel run. Therefore
     * we start checking against the 1nd region builder data
     * element.
     */
    ASSERT(r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels >= 2);
    src_index = 0;
    while (src_index < r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels && *row > r_PrevRB->rrb_RgnData[src_index])
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    src_index++;
dest_index = src_index;
if (src_index > 0)
{
    if (src_index > R_CurRB->rrb_Size)
    {
        if (!r_grow_region_builder(R_CurRB, src_index))
            return FALSE;
    }
    memcpy
    (
        R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData,
        r_PrevRB->rrb_RgnData,
        src_index * sizeof(R_Int)
    );
    if (!first)
    {
        memcpy
        (
            R_CurRB->rrb_StateData,
            r_PrevRB->rrb_StateData,
            src_index * sizeof(unsigned char)
        );
    }
    else
    {
        int i = 0;
        unsigned char *src;
        unsigned char *dest;

        src = r_PrevRB->rrb_StateData + src_index;
        dest = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData + src_index;
        switch (src_index)
        {
        default:
            for (i = src_index; i > 10; i--)
            {
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest - i) =  (*(src - i) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                               (*(src - i) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
                *(dest - i) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - i));
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 10:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
            *(dest - 10) =  (*(src - 10) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                           (*(src - 10) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
            *(dest - 10) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - 10));
#endif
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 9:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
            *(dest - 9) =  (*(src - 9) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                           (*(src - 9) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
            *(dest - 9) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - 9));
#endif
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 8:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
            *(dest - 8) =  (*(src - 8) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                           (*(src - 8) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
            *(dest - 8) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - 8));
#endif
        }
    }
}
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        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 7:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - 7) =  (*(src - 7) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - 7) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - 7) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - 7));
#endif
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 6:
#ifndef R_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - 6) =  (*(src - 6) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - 6) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - 6) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - 6));
#endif
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 5:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - 5) =  (*(src - 5) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - 5) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - 5) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - 5));
#endif
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 4:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - 4) =  (*(src - 4) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - 4) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - 4) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - 4));
#endif
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 3:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - 3) =  (*(src - 3) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - 3) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - 3) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - 3));
#endif
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 2:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - 2) =  (*(src - 2) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - 2) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - 2) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - 2));
#endif
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 1:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - 1) =  (*(src - 1) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - 1) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - 1) =  r_shift_and_dup(*(src - 1));
#endif
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 0:
        ;
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    }
}
if  (src_index == r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels)
{
/*
 * We've already exhausted the previous region builder. Set the start
 * of the next pixel run to be the max. possible and set the state

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* to be 0.  
*/  
rb_run_start = R_INT_MAX_VALUE - 2;  
rb_prev_run_state = 0;  
}  
else  
{  
    /*  
     * We are still within the previous region builder bounds. Set up  
     * the run info appropriately.  
     */  
    rb_run_start = r_PrevRB->rrb_RgnData[src_index];  
    if (src_index == 0)  
        rb_prev_run_state = 0;  
    else  
        rb_prev_run_state = r_PrevRB->rrb_StateData[src_index - 1];  
}  
  
/*  
 * We can now start dealing with the elements in the row.  
 */  
row_on = 1;  
while (R_NOT_END_OF_ROW(*row))  
{  
    if (*row < rb_run_start)  
    {  
        if (dest_index + 1 > R_CurRB->rrb_Size)  
        {  
            if (!r_grow_region_builder(R_CurRB, dest_index + 1))  
                return FALSE;  
        }  
        R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData[dest_index] = *row;  
        if (first)  
        {  
            /*  
             * We are processing the first region. Therefore, we  
             * copy the current state of the run to the lowest  
             * RB_STATE_SIZE bits.  
             */  
            R_CurRB->rrb_StateData[dest_index] =  
                (rb_prev_run_state & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                (rb_prev_run_state >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
        }  
        else  
        {  
            /*  
             * We are processing the second region. Therefore, the state data  
             * has already been copied to the previous state area so we  
             * just copy the state.  
             */  
            R_CurRB->rrb_StateData[dest_index] = rb_prev_run_state;  
        }  
    }  
    /*  
     * Now, if the row for the current region is active at this transition,  
     * we xor the region mask with the current contents of the new region  
     * builder slot. This gives the desired behaviour of making that region  
     * active if it is not there already, but turns it off if it is...  
     */  
    if (row_on)  
        R_CurRB->rrb_StateData[dest_index] ^= (rgn_mask << RB_STATE_SIZE);  
    dest_index++;  
    /*  
     * We now move onto the next row element.  
     */  
    row++;  
    row_on = !row_on;  
    continue;  
}
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/*
 * If the current row transition point is equal in x position to the current
 * previous region builder transition point, we advance the row counter to
 * the next position.
 */
if (*row == rb_run_start)
{
    row++;
    row_on = !row_on;
}
/*
 * Output the previous regions builder's transition region. We do similiar
 * things as for the region transition stuff above.. Firstly though, we
 * advance the rb_prev_run_state variable to the next element. We know
 * we can do this because if we were on the last element, we wouldn't
 * have hit this section of code.
 */
rb_prev_run_state = r_PrevRB->rrb_StateData[src_index];
if (dest_index + 1 > R_CurRB->rrb_Size)
{
    if (!r_grow_region_builder(R_CurRB, dest_index + 1))
        return FALSE;
}
R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData[dest_index] = rb_run_start;
if (first)
{
    R_CurRB->rrb_StateData[dest_index]=(rb_prev_run_state &
                                         RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                                         rb_prev_run_state >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
}
else
{
    R_CurRB->rrb_StateData[dest_index] = rb_prev_run_state;
}
if (!row_on)
    R_CurRB->rrb_StateData[dest_index] ^= (rgn_mask << RB_STATE_SIZE);
dest_index++;
/*
 * We've output the previous region builder's transitions. We now move
 * over onto the next transition. If the previous src_index increment
 * has moved us onto the last element, we declare that we have run
 * out of previous region builder data.
 */
ASSERT(rb_run_start != R_EOR);
if (++src_index >= r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels)
{
    /*
     * We've run out of data..
     */
    rb_run_start = R_INT_MAX_VALUE - 2;
    continue;
}
/*
 * Otherwise, we still have stuff left to do, so we move onto
 * the next run in the previous region builder.
 */
rb_run_start = r_PrevRB->rrb_RgnData[src_index];
}
/*
 * Now, we simply blast out any remaining region builder transition
 * points.
*/
if (r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels - src_index > 0)
{
    R_Intnels_to_copy;
    nels_to_copy = r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels - src_index;
    if (dest_index + nels_to_copy > R_CurRB->rrb_Size)
    {
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if (!r_grow_region_builder(R_CurRB, dest_index + nels_to_copy))
    return FALSE;
}

memcpy(
{
    R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData + dest_index,
    r_PrevRB->rrb_RgnData + src_index,
    nels_to_copy * sizeof(R_Int)
);
if (!first)
{
    memcpy(
    {
        R_CurRB->rrb_StateData + dest_index,
        r_PrevRB->rrb_StateData + src_index,
        nels_to_copy * sizeof(unsigned char)
    );
    dest_index += nels_to_copy;
}
else
{
    int i = 0;
    unsigned char *src;
    unsigned char *dest;

    i = r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels - src_index;
    src = r_PrevRB->rrb_StateData + r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels;
    dest_index += i;
    dest = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData + dest_index;
    switch (i)
    {
        default:
            for (; i > 10; i--)
    {
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - i) =  (*(src - i) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - i) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - i) =  r_shift_and_dup[*(src - i)];
#endif
    }
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 10:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - 10) =  (*(src - 10) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - 10) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - 10) =  r_shift_and_dup[*(src - 10)];
#endif
    }
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 9:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - 9) =  (*(src - 9) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - 9) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - 9) =  r_shift_and_dup[*(src - 9)];
#endif
    }
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 8:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        *(dest - 8) =  (*(src - 8) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                        (*(src - 8) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        *(dest - 8) =  r_shift_and_dup[*(src - 8)];
#endif
    }
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 7:
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#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
    *(dest - 7) = (*(src - 7) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                  (*(src - 7) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
    *(dest - 7) = r_shift_and_dup[*(src - 7)];
#endif
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
case 6:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
    *(dest - 6) = (*(src - 6) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                  (*(src - 6) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
    *(dest - 6) = r_shift_and_dup[*(src - 6)];
#endif
    /* .FALLTHROUGH!! */
case 5:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
    *(dest - 5) = (*(src - 5) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                  (*(src - 5) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
    *(dest - 5) = r_shift_and_dup[*(src - 5)];
#endif
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
case 4:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
    *(dest - 4) = (*(src - 4) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                  (*(src - 4) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
    *(dest - 4) = r_shift_and_dup[*(src - 4)];
#endif
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
case 3:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
    *(dest - 3) = (*(src - 3) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                  (*(src - 3) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
    *(dest - 3) = r_shift_and_dup[*(src - 3)];
#endif
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
case 2:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
    *(dest - 2) = (*(src - 2) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                  (*(src - 2) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
    *(dest - 2) = r_shift_and_dup[*(src - 2)];
#endif
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
case 1:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
    *(dest - 1) = (*(src - 1) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                  (*(src - 1) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
    *(dest - 1) = r_shift_and_dup[*(src - 1)];
#endif
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
case 0:
;
/* FALLTHROUGH!! */
}
}
/*
 * Finally, we set the number of elements of the latest region
 * builder. We also return the updates row variable.
 */
R_CurRB->rrb_Nels = dest_index;
*row_ptr = row;
return TRUE;
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}

#else
int
R_add_row_to_region_builder
(
    R_Int      **row_ptr,
    int         rgn_mask,
    int         first
)
{
    R_Int          *row;
    R_Int          rb_run_start;
    unsigned char  rb_prev_run_state;
    int            row_on;

    int            dest_index;
    unsigned char  *src_state_ptr;
    unsigned char  *dest_state_ptr;
    unsigned char  *src_state_end_ptr;
    register R_Int           *src_rgn_ptr;
    R_Int          *src_rgn_end_ptr;
    register R_Int           *dest_rgn_ptr;
    R_Int          *dest_rgn_end_ptr;
    int            inc;
    int            i;

    ASSERT(rgn_mask == 1 || rgn_mask == 2);

    row = *row_ptr;
    r_swap_region_builders();
    /*
     * Skip over the row's y value at the beginning.
     */
    ASSERT(*row == R_NEXT_IS_Y);
    row += 2;
    ASSERT(*row != R_NEXT_IS_Y && *row != R_EOR);

    if (r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels == 0)
    {
        /*
         * If the current region builder's src region data array is empty, then
         * we are dealing with an empty region builder. We simply convert
         * the input row to the region builder format.
         */
        row_on = TRUE;
        dest_index = 0;
        while (R_NOT_END_OF_ROW(*row))
        {
            if (++dest_index > R_CurRB->rrb_Size)
            {
                if (!r_grow_region_builder(R_CurRB, dest_index))
                    return FALSE;
            }
            R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData[dest_index - 1] = *row;
            if (row_on)
                R_CurRB->rrb_StateData[dest_index - 1] =
                    (rgn_mask << RB_STATE_SIZE);
            else
                R_CurRB->rrb_StateData[dest_index - 1] = 0;
            row_on = !row_on;
            row++;
        }
        *row_ptr = row;
        R_CurRB->rrb_Nels = dest_index;
        return TRUE;
    }
    /*
     * Firstly, we copy any runs from the region builder which

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* precede this run from the region. We are checking the
* starting row against the start of each pixel run. Therefore
* we start checking against the 1nd region builder data
* element.
*/
src_state_ptr = r_PrevRB->rrb_StateData;
src_rgn_ptr = r_PrevRB->rrb_RgnData;
src_state_end_ptr = src_state_ptr + r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels;
src_rgn_end_ptr = src_rgn_ptr + r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels;
dest_state_ptr = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData;
dest_rgn_ptr = R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData;
dest_rgn_end_ptr = dest_rgn_ptr + R_CurRB->rrb_Size;

ASSERT(r_PrevRB->rrb_Nels >= 2);
while (src_rgn_ptr != src_rgn_end_ptr && *row > *src_rgn_ptr)
    src_rgn_ptr++;
inc = src_rgn_ptr - r_PrevRB->rrb_RgnData;

if (inc > 0)
{
    src_state_ptr += inc;
    dest_state_ptr += inc;
    dest_rgn_ptr += inc;
    if (dest_rgn_ptr > dest_rgn_end_ptr)
    {
        if (!r_grow_region_builder(R_CurRB, inc))
            return FALSE;
        dest_state_ptr = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData;
        dest_rgn_ptr = R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData;
        dest_rgn_end_ptr = dest_rgn_ptr + R_CurRB->rrb_Size;
    }
}

#if 1
const R_Int      * const src_rgn_ptr2 = src_rgn_ptr;
R_Int             *dest_rgn_ptr2 = dest_rgn_ptr;
switch(inc)
{
    default:
        for (i = inc; i > 10; i--)
        {
            *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - i) = *(src_rgn_ptr - i);
        }
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 10:
        *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - 10) = *(src_rgn_ptr2 - 10);
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 9:
        *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - 9) = *(src_rgn_ptr2 - 9);
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 8:
        *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - 8) = *(src_rgn_ptr2 - 8);
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 7:
        *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - 7) = *(src_rgn_ptr2 - 7);
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 6:
        *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - 6) = *(src_rgn_ptr2 - 6);
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 5:
        *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - 5) = *(src_rgn_ptr2 - 5);
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 4:
        *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - 4) = *(src_rgn_ptr2 - 4);
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 3:
        *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - 3) = *(src_rgn_ptr2 - 3);
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 2:
        *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - 2) = *(src_rgn_ptr2 - 2);
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    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
case 1:
    *(dest_rgn_ptr2 - 1) = *(src_rgn_ptr2 - 1);
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
case 0:
    ;
    /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
}
#else
memcpy
(
    R_CurrRB->rrb_RgnData,
    r_PrevRB->rrb_RgnData,
    inc * sizeof(R_Int)
);
#endif
if (!first)
{
    memcpy
(
    R_CurrRB->rrb_StateData,
    r_PrevRB->rrb_StateData,
    inc * sizeof(unsigned char)
);
}
else
{
    switch (inc)
    {
    default:
        for (i = inc; i > 10; i--)
        {
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
            *(dest_state_ptr - i) = (*(src_state_ptr - i) &
                RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                (*(src_state_ptr - i) >>
                RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
            *(dest_state_ptr - i) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - i));
#endif
        }
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 10:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
            *(dest_state_ptr - 10) = (*(src_state_ptr - 10) &
                RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                (*(src_state_ptr - 10) >>
                RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
            *(dest_state_ptr - 10) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - 10));
#endif
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 9:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
            *(dest_state_ptr - 9)= (*(src_state_ptr - 9) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                (*(src_state_ptr - 9) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
            *(dest_state_ptr - 9) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - 9));
#endif
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    case 8:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
            *(dest_state_ptr - 8)= (*(src_state_ptr - 8) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                (*(src_state_ptr - 8) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
            *(dest_state_ptr - 8) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - 8));
#endif
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
    
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        case 7:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 7) = (*(src_state_ptr - 7) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (*(src_state_ptr - 7) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 7) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - 7));  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 6:  
#ifndef R_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 6) = (*(src_state_ptr - 6) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (*(src_state_ptr - 6) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 6) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - 6));  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 5:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 5) = (*(src_state_ptr - 5) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (*(src_state_ptr - 5) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 5) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - 5));  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 4:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 4) = (*(src_state_ptr - 4) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (*(src_state_ptr - 4) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 4) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - 4));  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 3:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 3) = (*(src_state_ptr - 3) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (*(src_state_ptr - 3) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 3) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - 3));  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 2:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 2) = (*(src_state_ptr - 2) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (*(src_state_ptr - 2) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 2) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - 2));  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 1:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 1) = (*(src_state_ptr - 1) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (*(src_state_ptr - 1) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 1) = r_shift_and_dup(*(src_state_ptr - 1));  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 0:  
        ;  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    }  
}  
if (src_state_ptr == src_state_end_ptr)  
{  
    /*  
     * We've already exhausted the previous region builder. Set the start  
     * of the next pixel run to be the max. possible and set the state  
     * to be 0.  
    */
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        */
rb_run_start = R_INT_MAX_VALUE - 2;
rb_prev_run_state = 0;
}
else
{
    /*
     * We are still within the previous region builder bounds. Set up
     * the run info appropriately.
     */
rb_run_start = *src_rgn_ptr;
if (src_state_ptr == r_PrevRB->rrb_StateData)
    rb_prev_run_state = 0;
else
    rb_prev_run_state = *(src_state_ptr - 1);
}

/*
 * We can now start dealing with the elements in the row.
*/
row_on = 1;
while (R_NOT_END_OF_ROW(*row))
{
    if (*row < rb_run_start)
    {
        if (dest_rgn_ptr + 1 > dest_rgn_end_ptr)
        {
            if (!r_grow_region_builder(R_CurRB, dest_rgn_ptr - R_CurRB-
                >rrb_RgnData + 1)) return FALSE;
            dest_state_ptr = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData;
            dest_rgn_ptr = R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData;
            dest_rgn_end_ptr = dest_rgn_ptr + R_CurRB->rrb_Size;
        }
        *dest_rgn_ptr = *row;
        if (first)
        {
            /*
             * We are processing the first region. Therefore, we
             * copy the current state of the run to the lowest
             * RB_STATE_SIZE bits.
             */
            *dest_state_ptr = (rb_prev_run_state & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                (rb_prev_run_state >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
        }
        else
        {
            /*
             * We are processing the second region. Therefore, the state data
             * has already been copied to the previous state area so we
             * just copy the state.
             */
            *dest_state_ptr = rb_prev_run_state;
        }
    /*
     * Now, if the row for the current region is active at this transition,
     * we xor the region mask with the current contents of the new region
     * builder slot. This gives the desired behaviour of making that region
     * active if it is not there already, but turns it off if it is...
     */
    if (row_on)
        *dest_state_ptr ^= (rgn_mask << RB_STATE_SIZE);
    dest_state_ptr++;
    dest_rgn_ptr++;
    /*
     * We now move onto the next row element.
     */
    row++;
    row_on = !row_on;
}
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        continue;
    }
/*
 * If the current row transition point is equal in x position to the current
 * previous region builder transition point, we advance the row counter to
 * the next position.
 */
if (*row == rb_run_start)
{
    row++;
    row_on = !row_on;
}
/*
 * Output the previous regions builder's transition region. We do similiar
 * things as for the region transition stuff above.. Firstly though, we
 * advance the rb_prev_run_state variable to the next element. We know
 * we can do this because if we were on the last element, we wouldn't
 * have hit this section of code.
 */
rb_prev_run_state = *src_state_ptr;
if (dest_rgn_ptr + 1 > dest_rgn_end_ptr)
{
    if (!r_grow_region_builder(R_CurRB, dest_rgn_ptr - R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData
                               + 1)) return FALSE;
    dest_state_ptr = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData;
    dest_rgn_ptr = R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData;
    dest_rgn_end_ptr = dest_rgn_ptr + R_CurRB->rrb_Size;
}
*dest_rgn_ptr = rb_run_start;
if (first)
{
    *dest_state_ptr = (rb_prev_run_state & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                      (rb_prev_run_state >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
}
else
{
    *dest_state_ptr = rb_prev_run_state;
}
if (!row_on)
    *dest_state_ptr ^= (rgn_mask << RB_STATE_SIZE);
dest_state_ptr++;
dest_rgn_ptr++;
/*
 * We've output the previous region builder's transitions. We now move
 * over onto the next transition. If the previous src_index increment
 * has moved us onto the last element, we declare that we have run
 * out of previous region builder data.
 */
ASSERT(rb_run_start != R_EOR);
++src_rgn_ptr;
if (++src_state_ptr == src_state_end_ptr)
{
    /*
     * We've run out of data..
     */
    rb_run_start = R_INT_MAX_VALUE - 2;
    continue;
}
/*
 * Otherwise, we still have stuff left to do, so we move onto
 * the next run in the previous region builder.
 */
rb_run_start = *src_rgn_ptr;
}
/*
 * Now, we simply blast out any remaining region builder transition
 * points.
*/
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if (src_state_ptr != src_state_end_ptr)
{
    R_Int nels_to_copy;
    nels_to_copy = src_state_end_ptr - src_state_ptr;
    if (dest_rgn_ptr + nels_to_copy > dest_rgn_end_ptr)
    {
        if
        (
            !r_grow_region_builder
            (
                R_CurRB,
                dest_rgn_ptr - R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData + nels_to_copy
            )
        )
        return FALSE;
    dest_state_ptr = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData;
    dest_rgn_ptr = R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData;
}
memcpy
{
    dest_rgn_ptr,
    src_rgn_ptr,
    nels_to_copy * sizeof(R_Int)
);
dest_rgn_ptr += nels_to_copy;
if (!first)
{
    memcpy
    (
        dest_state_ptr,
        src_state_ptr,
        nels_to_copy * sizeof(unsigned char)
    );
}
else
{
    i = nels_to_copy;
    src_state_ptr = src_state_end_ptr;
    dest_state_ptr += nels_to_copy;
    switch (i)
    {
        default:
            for (; i > 10; i--)
            (
                /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
            );
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - i) = (*src_state_ptr - i) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - i) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - i) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - i);
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 10:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 10) = (*src_state_ptr - 10) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 10) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 10) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 10);
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 9:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 9) = (*src_state_ptr - 9) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 9) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 9) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 9));
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 8:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 8) = (*src_state_ptr - 8) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 8) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 8) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 8));
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 7:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 7) = (*src_state_ptr - 7) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 7) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 7) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 7));
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 6:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 6) = (*src_state_ptr - 6) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 6) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 6) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 6));
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 5:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 5) = (*src_state_ptr - 5) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 5) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 5) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 5));
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 4:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 4) = (*src_state_ptr - 4) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 4) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 4) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 4));
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 3:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 3) = (*src_state_ptr - 3) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 3) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 3) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 3));
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 2:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 2) = (*src_state_ptr - 2) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 2) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 2) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 2));
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 1:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 1) = (*src_state_ptr - 1) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 1) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 1) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 1));
#endif
            }
            /* FALLTHROUGH!! */
        case 0:
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
                *(dest_state_ptr - 0) = (*src_state_ptr - 0) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK | (*src_state_ptr - 0) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
#else
                *(dest_state_ptr - 0) = r_shift_and_dup(*src_state_ptr - 0));
#endif
            }
    }
}
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        case 8:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 8) = (* (src_state_ptr - 8) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (* (src_state_ptr - 8) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 8) = r_shift_and_dup[* (src_state_ptr - 8)];  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 7:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 7) = (* (src_state_ptr - 7) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (* (src_state_ptr - 7) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 7) = r_shift_and_dup[* (src_state_ptr - 7)];  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 6:  
#ifndef R_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 6) = (* (src_state_ptr - 6) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (* (src_state_ptr - 6) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 6) = r_shift_and_dup[* (src_state_ptr - 6)];  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 5:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 5) = (* (src_state_ptr - 5) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (* (src_state_ptr - 5) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 5) = r_shift_and_dup[* (src_state_ptr - 5)];  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 4:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 4) = (* (src_state_ptr - 4) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (* (src_state_ptr - 4) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 4) = r_shift_and_dup[* (src_state_ptr - 4)];  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 3:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 3) = (* (src_state_ptr - 3) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (* (src_state_ptr - 3) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 3) = r_shift_and_dup[* (src_state_ptr - 3)];  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 2:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 2) = (* (src_state_ptr - 2) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (* (src_state_ptr - 2) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 2) = r_shift_and_dup[* (src_state_ptr - 2)];  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 1:  
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 1) = (* (src_state_ptr - 1) & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |  
                            (* (src_state_ptr - 1) >> RB_STATE_SIZE);  
#else  
        *(dest_state_ptr - 1) = r_shift_and_dup[* (src_state_ptr - 1)];  
#endif  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
    case 0:  
        ;  
        /* FALLTHROUGH!! */  
}
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    }

/*
 * Finally, we set the number of elements of the latest region
 * builder. We also return the updated row variable.
 */
R_CurRB->rrb_Nels = dest_rgn_ptr - R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData;
*row_ptr = row;
return TRUE;
}

#endif

/*
 * r_check_rgn_buf_len
 *
 * This function checks to see if the static region buffer is large enough.
 * If it isn't then it is reallocated to make it large enough.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *     size The required size of the r_RegBuf array.
 * Returns:
 *     TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
static int
r_check_rgn_buf_len
(
    int      size
)
{
    ASSERT(size >= 0);
    if (size > r_RgnBufSize)
    {
        int      new_buf_size;
        R_Int   *new_buf;
        new_buf_size = max(size, r_RgnBufSize * 2);
        new_buf = (R_Int *)malloc(new_buf_size * sizeof(R_Int));
        if (new_buf == NULL)
            return FALSE;
        if (r_RgnBuf != NULL)
        {
            memcpy(new_buf, r_RgnBuf, r_RgnBufSize * sizeof(R_Int));
            free(r_RgnBuf);
        }
        r_RgnBuf = new_buf;
        r_RgnBufSize = new_buf_size;
    }
    return TRUE;
}

/*
 * R_init_region_with_rect
 *
 * This function initialises a R_Region structure to represent a rectangular
 * region. It is assumed that the region is currently uninitialised.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *     rgn      A pointer to the R_Region to be initialised.
 *     rect     A pointer to an IntXYMinMax structure representing
 *             the rectangular area requiring an equivalent region
 *             description.
 *
 * Returns:
 *     TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
int
R_init_region_with_rect
(
    R_Region      *rgn,
    IntXYMinMax   *rect
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}

{
    R_Int      *rgn_data;

    ASSERT(rect->X.Min <= rect->X.Max);
    ASSERT(rect->Y.Min <= rect->Y.Max);

    rgn->rr_BBox = rect;
    rgn_data = (R_Int *)malloc(9 * sizeof(R_Int));
    if (rgn_data == NULL)
    {
        return FALSE;
    }
    rgn_data[0] = R_NEXT_IS_Y;
    rgn_data[1] = rect->Y.Min;
    rgn_data[2] = rect->X.Min;
    rgn_data[3] = rect->X.Max + 1;
    rgn_data[4] = R_NEXT_IS_Y;
    rgn_data[5] = rect->Y.Max + 1;
    rgn_data[6] = rect->X.Min;
    rgn_data[7] = rect->X.Max + 1;
    rgn_data[8] = R_EOR;
    rgn->rr_RgnData = rgn_data;
    rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = 9;
    return TRUE;
}

/*
 * R_region_with_region
 *
 * This function initialises a R_Region structure to represent a the region
 * passed as an argument. It is assumed that the region is currently
 * uninitialised.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *     rgn      A pointer to the R_Region to be initialised.
 *     src_rgn  A pointer to an R_Region structure representing
 *              the region to which this region is to be initialised.
 *
 * Returns:
 *     TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
int
R_init_region_with_region
(
    R_Region      *rgn,
    R_Region      *src_rgn
)
{
    R_Int      *rgn_data;

    rgn->rr_BBox = src_rgn->rr_BBox;
    rgn_data = (R_Int *)malloc(src_rgn->rr_RgnDataSize * sizeof(R_Int));
    if (rgn_data == NULL)
    {
        return FALSE;
    }
    memcpy
    (
        rgn_data,
        src_rgn->rr_RgnData,
        src_rgn->rr_RgnDataSize * sizeof(R_Int)
    );
    rgn->rr_RgnData = rgn_data;
    rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = src_rgn->rr_RgnDataSize;
    return TRUE;
}
/*
```

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* R_region_with_translated_region
*
* This function initialises a R_Region structure to represent a the region
* passed as an argument translated by delta. It is assumed that the region
* is currently uninitialised.
*
* Parameters:
*   rgn      A pointer to the R_Region to be initialised.
*   src_rgn  A pointer to an R_Region structure representing
*             the region to which this region is to be initialised.
*   delta    A pointer to a IntXY structure representing the
*             translation required.
*
* Returns:
*   TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
*/
int
R_init_region_with_translated_region
(
    R_Region      *rgn,
    R_Region      *src_rgn,
    IntXY         *delta
)
{
    R_Int          *rgn_data;
    R_Int          *src_data;

    rgn->rr_BBox.X.Min = src_rgn->rr_BBox.X.Min + delta->X;
    rgn->rr_BBox.X.Max = src_rgn->rr_BBox.X.Max + delta->X;
    rgn->rr_BBox.Y.Min = src_rgn->rr_BBox.Y.Min + delta->Y;
    rgn->rr_BBox.Y.Max = src_rgn->rr_BBox.Y.Max + delta->Y;
    rgn_data = (R_Int *)malloc(src_rgn->rr_RgnDataSize * sizeof(R_Int));
    if (rgn_data == NULL)
    {
        return FALSE;
    }
    src_data = src_rgn->rr_RgnData;
    for (int i = 0; i < src_rgn->rr_RgnDataSize; i++)
    {
        if (src_data[i] == R_NEXT_IS_Y)
        {
            rgn_data[i] = src_data[i];
            i++;
            rgn_data[i] = src_data[i] + delta->Y;
            continue;
        }
        else if (src_data[i] == R_EOR)
            rgn_data[i] = src_data[i];
        else
            rgn_data[i] = src_data[i] + delta->X;
    }
    rgn->rr_RgnData = rgn_data;
    rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = src_rgn->rr_RgnDataSize;
    return TRUE;
}

/*
* R_empty_region
*
* Deallocates the region data allocated for a region. Only the
* data is freed. The R_Region structure itself is not.
*
* Parameters:
*   rgn      The region whose region data is to be deallocated.
* Returns:
*   Nothing.
*/
void
```

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R_empty_region
(
    R_Region *rgn
)

{
    if (rgn != NULL && rgn->rr_RgnData != NULL)
    {
        free(rgn->rr_RgnData);
        rgn->rr_RgnData = NULL;
    }
}

#ifndef R_USE_NEW_IMP
/*
 * R_union
 *
 * This function init's a R_Region structure to represent the union
 * of it's two arguments.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *   rgn      The R_Region to be initialised.
 *   r1      A R_Region ptr representing the first region.
 *   r2      A R_Region ptr representing the second region.
 *
 * Returns
 *   TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
int
R_union
(
    R_Region *rgn,
    R_Region *r1,
    R_Region *r2
)
{
    R_Int      *r1_dat;
    R_Int      *r2_dat;
    int         overlap_flags;

    union_tot++;

    if (!BB_intersect_test(&r1->rr_BBox, &r2->rr_BBox, &overlap_flags))
    /*
     * The bounding boxes don't intersect. This means we can do the
     * union very easily, simply by copying data from the two regions.
     * We malloc a new region data array of size r1->rr_RgnDataSize +
     * r2->rr_RgnDataSize - 1. This is the maximum possible size of
     * resulting region. Not all of this memory will be utilised if
     * the two regions being combined have rows with the same y coordinate
     * (R_NEXT_IS_Y marker is not duplicated).
     */
    rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = r1->rr_RgnDataSize + r2->rr_RgnDataSize - 1;
    rgn->rr_RgnData = (R_Int *)malloc(rgn->rr_RgnDataSize *
                                         sizeof(R_Int));
    if (rgn->rr_RgnData == NULL)
    {
        return FALSE;
    }
    /*
     * Now, check to see if the regions overlap in y...
     */
    if (!(overlap_flags & BB_INTERSECT_OVERLAP_Y))
    {
        /*
         * The regions don't overlap in y. We simply copy one region
         * and then another into the array we malloced. We ensure
         * that r1 points to the region with the smallest y coordinate.
         */
        if (r2->rr_BBox.Y.Min < r1->rr_BBox.Y.Min)
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{  
    R_Region *tmp;  
    tmp = r1;  
    r1 = r2;  
    r2 = tmp;  
}  
memcpy  
(  
    rgn->rr_RgnData,  
    r1->rr_RgnData,  
    (r1->rr_RgnDataSize - 1) * sizeof(R_Int)  
);  
memcpy  
(  
    rgn->rr_RgnData + r1->rr_RgnDataSize - 1,  
    r2->rr_RgnData,  
    r2->rr_RgnDataSize * sizeof(R_Int)  
);  
ASSERT(rgn->rr_RgnData[rgn->rr_RgnDataSize - 1] == R_EOR);  
}  
else  
{  
    R_Int *r1_tmp;  
    R_Int *r2_tmp;  
    R_Int *dest;  
    R_Int min_row;  
    int r1_done;  
    int r1_consumed;  
    int r2_consumed;  
    int num_written;  
/*  
 * The bboxes overlap in y but not in x. We simply go row  
 * by row through each region and memcpy the individual rows as  
 * appropriate. We ensure that r1 points to the region with  
 * the smallest x coordinate.  
 */  
if (r2->rr_BBox.X.Min < r1->rr_BBox.X.Min)  
{  
    R_Region *tmp;  
    tmp = r1;  
    r1 = r2;  
    r2 = tmp;  
}  
r1_dat = r1->rr_RgnData;  
r2_dat = r2->rr_RgnData;  
dest = rgn->rr_RgnData;  
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = 0;  
r1_consumed = 0;  
r2_consumed = 0;  
while (*r1_dat != R_EOR && *r2_dat != R_EOR)  
{  
    ASSERT(*r1_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y);  
    ASSERT(*r2_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y);  
    min_row = min(r1_dat[1], r2_dat[1]);  
    r1_done = FALSE;  
    if (r1_dat[1] == min_row)  
    {  
        /*  
         * We need to emit r1. We therefore need to find where  
         * the next row (if any) starts. When we do this we  
         * recall that a y value _must_ be followed by at least  
         * two x values..  
         */  
        r1_tmp = r1_dat + 4;  
        while (*r1_tmp != R_NEXT_IS_Y && *r1_tmp != R_EOR)  
            r1_tmp++;  
        num_written = r1_tmp - r1_dat;  
        memcpy(dest, r1_dat, num_written * sizeof(R_Int));  
    }  
}
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dest += num_written;
r1_consumed += num_written;
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize += num_written;
r1_dat = r1_tmp;
r1_done = TRUE;
}
if (r2_dat[1] == min_row)
{
/*
 * We need to emit r1. We therefore need to find where
 * the next row (if any) starts. When we do this we
 * recall that a y value _must_ be followed by at least
 * two x values. If r1's current row has already been
 * emitted for this y value, we do _not_ emit the
 * R_NEXT_IS_Y marker or the y value itself.
 */
if (r1_done)
{
    r2_dat += 2;
    r2_tmp = r2_dat + 2;
    r2_consumed += 2;
}
else
{
    r2_tmp = r2_dat + 4;
}
while (*r2_tmp != R_NEXT_IS_Y && *r2_tmp != R_EOR)
    r2_tmp++;
num_written = r2_tmp - r2_dat;
memcpy(dest, r2_dat, num_written * sizeof(R_Int));
dest += num_written;
r2_consumed += num_written;
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize += num_written;
r2_dat = r2_tmp;
}
if (*r1_dat != R_EOR)
{
/*
 * r1 is the last region left standing. We memcpy
 * the remainder of the region (including the
 * R_EOR marker) to the destination.
 */
ASSERT(r2_consumed == r2->rr_RgnDataSize - 1);
memcpy
(
    dest,
    r1_dat,
    (r1->rr_RgnDataSize - r1_consumed) * sizeof(R_Int)
);
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize += (r1->rr_RgnDataSize - r1_consumed);
}
else
{
/*
 * r2 is the last region left standing. We memcpy
 * the remainder of the region (including the
 * R_EOR marker) to the destination.
 */
ASSERT(r1_consumed == r1->rr_RgnDataSize - 1);
memcpy
(
    dest,
    r2_dat,
    (r2->rr_RgnDataSize - r2_consumed) * sizeof(R_Int)
);
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize += (r2->rr_RgnDataSize - r2_consumed);
}
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ASSERT
(
    rgn->rr_RgnData[rgn->rr_RgnDataSize - 1] == R_EOR
);

}

else
{
    R_Int          min_row;
    int            dest_size;
    unsigned char *rgn_bld_stat;
    R_Int          *rgn_bld_dat;
    int            i;
    int            in_run;
    int            done_r1_in_row;

    union_full++;

/*
 * The two regions _do_ overlap in x_and y. We therefore have
 * to do a bit more work in calculating the union of the two
 * regions. We use the R_RegionBuilder struct to store state
 * regarding the currently active regions as we progress through
 * the rows of each region. After any rows relevant to a y-coord
 * are added to the region builder, we examine the state of each
 * pixel run in the region builder. If the addition of the row(s)
 * for the y-coord have caused a transition to or from 0, then
 * the pixel run is emitted. However, the first thing we do is
 * ensure the current region builder is empty.
*/
r1_dat = r1->rr_RgnData;
r2_dat = r2->rr_RgnData;
R_CurRB->rrb_Nels = 0;
dest_size = 0;
/*
 * We are now ready to loop through the data of both regions.
 * We continue building the new region whilst there is data
 * remaining in either of the two regions.
*/
while (*r1_dat != R_EOR || *r2_dat != R_EOR)
{
    ASSERT(*r1_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r1_dat == R_EOR);
    ASSERT(*r2_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r2_dat == R_EOR);
    if (*r1_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r2_dat[1];
    else if (*r2_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r1_dat[1];
    else
        min_row = min(r1_dat[1], r2_dat[1]);
    done_r1_in_row = FALSE;
    if (*r1_dat != R_EOR && r1_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
/*
     * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
     * row to the current region builder.
*/
        if (!R_add_row_to_region_builder(&r1_dat, 0x1, TRUE))
            return FALSE;
        done_r1_in_row = TRUE;
    }
    if (*r2_dat != R_EOR && r2_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
/*
     * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
     * row to the current region builder.
*/
        if (!R_add_row_to_region_builder(&r2_dat, 0x2, !done_r1_in_row))

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        return FALSE;
    }
/*
 * Now, we generate the output row for the input rows.
 */
if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 2))
{
    return FALSE;
}
r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = R_NEXT_IS_Y;
r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = min_row;
rgn_bld_stat = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData;
rgn_bld_dat = R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData;
in_run = FALSE;
for (i = R_CurRB->rrb_Nels; i > 0; i--)
{
    if
    (
        *rgn_bld_stat > 0
        &&
        (
            (*rgn_bld_stat & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) == 0
            ||
            (*rgn_bld_stat & RB_PREV_STATE_MASK) == 0
        )
    )
    {
        /*
         * We have to emit a run here, if we're not already
         * in one..
         */
        if (!in_run)
        {
            if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
            {
                return FALSE;
            }
            r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = *rgn_bld_dat;
            in_run = TRUE;
        }
    }
    else
    {
        if (in_run)
        {
            /*
             * We've come to the end of a run. We output the next
             * element to end it.
             */
            if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
            {
                return FALSE;
            }
            r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = *rgn_bld_dat;
        }
        in_run = FALSE;
    }
    rgn_bld_stat++;
    rgn_bld_dat++;
}
if (r_RgnBuf[dest_size - 2] == R_NEXT_IS_Y)
{
    /*
     * We didn't output anything for these input rows. Rewind..
     */
    dest_size -= 2;
}
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/*
 * We've completed constructing the data for the region. We
 * make a copy the constructed data from the permanent buffer to
 * an exactly fitting buffer.
 */
rgn->rr_RgnData = (R_Int *)malloc(dest_size * sizeof(R_Int));
if (rgn->rr_RgnData == NULL)
{
    return FALSE;
}
memcpy(rgn->rr_RgnData, r_RgnBuf, (dest_size - 1) * sizeof(R_Int));
rgn->rr_RgnData[dest_size - 1] = R_EOR;
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = dest_size;
ASSERT(rgn->rr_RgnDataSize >= 9);
}

/*
 * We now do a bounding box union of the two component bboxes and place
 * the result in the new region.
 */
BB_union(&r1->rr_BBox, &r2->rr_BBox, &rgn->rr_BBox);
/*
 * Done! We can get out..
 */
return TRUE;
}

/*
 * R_union_equals
 *
 * This function basically implements a r1 union= r2 type operation. Ie
 * r1 union r2 is calculated and the result returned in r1.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *      r1      A pointer to an R_Region. This represents
 *              the first half of the union, and is also used to return
 *              the eventual result.
 *      r2      A pointer to an R_Region. This represents the second
 *              half of the union.
 *
 * Returns:
 *      TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
int
R_union_equals
(
    R_Region    *r1,
    R_Region    *r2
)
{
    R_Region    new_rgn;
    if (r1->rr_RgnData == NULL)
        return R_init_region_with_region(r1, r2);
    if (!R_union(&new_rgn, r1, r2))
        return FALSE;
    R_empty_region(r1);
    *r1 = new_rgn;
    return TRUE;
}

/*
 * R_intersection
 *
 * This function inits a R_Region structure to represent the intersection
 * of it's two arguments.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *      rgn      A R_Region ptr to the R_Region structure to be initialised.
 *      r1       A R_Region ptr representing the first region.
 *      r2       A R_Region ptr representing the second region.

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* Returns
*      TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
*/
int
R_intersection
(
    R_Region  *rgn,
    R_Region  *r1,
    R_Region  *r2
)
{
    R_Int      *r1_dat;
    R_Int      *r2_dat;
    int        overlap_flags;

    int_tot++;

    rgn->rr_RgnData = NULL;
    if (!BB_intersect_test(&r1->rr_BBox, &r2->rr_BBox, &overlap_flags))
    {
        /*
         * The bounding boxes don't intersect. This means that the regions
         * don't intersect. Therefore, we simply set rgn->rr_RgnData to NULL
         * (signifying an empty region) and get out..
         */
        return TRUE;
    }
    R_Int          min_row;
    int            dest_size;
    unsigned char  *rgn_bld_stat;
    R_Int          *rgn_bld_dat;
    int            i;
    int            in_run;
    int            done_r1_in_row;
    IntXYMinMax   new_bbox;

    int_full++;

    /*
     * The two regions _do_ overlap in x_and y. We therefore have
     * to do a bit more work in calculating the intersection of the two
     * regions. We use the R_RegionBuilder struct to store state
     * regarding the currently active regions as we progress through
     * the rows of each region. After any rows relevant to a y-coord
     * are added to the region builder, we examine the state of each
     * pixel run in the region builder. If the addition of the row(s)
     * for the y-coord have caused a transition to or from 0x3, then
     * the pixel run is emitted.
     */
    /*
     * Initialise the new_bbox structure for determining the new bounding box.
     */
    new_bbox.X.Min = R_INT_MAX_VALUE;
    new_bbox.Y.Min = R_INT_MAX_VALUE;
    new_bbox.X.Max = R_INT_MIN_VALUE;
    new_bbox.Y.Max = R_INT_MIN_VALUE;

    /*
     * The next thing we do is ensure the current region builder is empty,
     * and set up pointers into the region data of the two regions.
     */
    r1_dat = r1->rr_RgnData;
    r2_dat = r2->rr_RgnData;
    R_CurRB->rrb_Nels = 0;
    dest_size = 0;
    /*
     * We are now ready to loop through the data from both regions. Notice

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* that we only keep looping whilst _both_ regions have some data left
* to give. As soon as either of the region's data has been exhausted,
* then we stop as the intersection region has already been calculated
* and is sitting in the rgn_buf.
*/
while (*r1_dat != R_EOR && *r2_dat != R_EOR)
{
    ASSERT(*r1_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r1_dat == R_EOR);
    ASSERT(*r2_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r2_dat == R_EOR);
    if (*r1_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r2_dat[1];
    else if (*r2_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r1_dat[1];
    else
        min_row = min(r1_dat[1], r2_dat[1]);
    done_r1_in_row = FALSE;
    if (*r1_dat != R_EOR && r1_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
        /*
         * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
         * row to the current region builder.
        */
        if (!R_add_row_to_region_builder(&r1_dat, 0x1, TRUE))
            return FALSE;
        done_r1_in_row = TRUE;
    }
    if (*r2_dat != R_EOR && r2_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
        /*
         * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
         * row to the current region builder.
        */
        if (!R_add_row_to_region_builder(&r2_dat, 0x2, !done_r1_in_row))
            return FALSE;
    }
    /*
     * Now, we generate the output row for the input rows.
    */
    if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 2))
    {
        return FALSE;
    }
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = R_NEXT_IS_Y;
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = min_row;
    rgn_bld_stat = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData;
    rgn_bld_dat = R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData;
    in_run = FALSE;
    for (i = R_CurRB->rrb_Nels; i > 0; i--)
    {
        if
        (
            *rgn_bld_stat != (3 | (3 << RB_STATE_SIZE))
            &&
            (
                (*rgn_bld_stat & RB_PREV_STATE_MASK) == 3
                ||
                (*rgn_bld_stat & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) == (3 << RB_STATE_SIZE)
            )
        )
        {
            /*
             * We have to emit a run here, if we're not already
             * in one..
            */
            if (!in_run)
            {
                if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
                {
                    return FALSE;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
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        }
        r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = *rgn_bld_dat;
        in_run = TRUE;
        new_bbox.X.Min = min(new_bbox.X.Min, *rgn_bld_dat);
    }
} else
{
    if (in_run)
    {
        /*
         * We've come to the end of a run. We output the next element
         * to end it.
        */
        if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
        {
            return FALSE;
        }
        r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = *rgn_bld_dat;
        new_bbox.X.Max = max(new_bbox.X.Max, *rgn_bld_dat);
    }
    in_run = FALSE;
}
rgn_bld_stat++;
rgn_bld_dat++;
}
if (r_RgnBuf[dest_size - 2] == R_NEXT_IS_Y)
{
    /*
     * We didn't output anything for these input rows. Rewind..
    */
    dest_size -= 2;
}
else
{
    if (min_row < new_bbox.Y.Min)
        new_bbox.Y.Min = min_row;
    else if (min_row > new_bbox.Y.Max)
        new_bbox.Y.Max = min_row;
}
/*
 * We've completed constructing the data for the region. Firstly
 * we check to see if we've emitted anything at all. If we have
 * then dest_size must be > 0. If it isn't we simply free the
 * region we created and get out, as the regions don't really
 * intersect, in spite of their intersecting bounding boxes.
*/
if (dest_size == 0)
{
    return TRUE;
}
/*
 * We make a copy the constructed data from the permanent buffer to
 * an exactly fitting buffer.
*/
rgn->rr_RgnData = (R_Int *)malloc(++dest_size * sizeof(R_Int));
if (rgn->rr_RgnData == NULL)
{
    return FALSE;
}
memcpy(rgn->rr_RgnData, r_RgnBuf, (dest_size - 1) * sizeof(R_Int));
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = dest_size; R_EOR;
ASSERT(rgn->rr_RgnDataSize >= 9);
/*
 * Now, copy across the bounding box.. Before we do this, we subtract
 * 1 from X.Max and Y.Max because of the region format.
*/
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    */
new_bbox.X.Max--;
new_bbox.Y.Max--;
rgn->rr_BBox = new_bbox;
/*
 * Done! We can get out..
 */
return TRUE;
}

/*
 * R_difference
 *
 * This function inits a R_Region structure to represent the difference of
 * it's two arguments. It essentially calculates r1 - r2
 *
 * Parameters:
 *      rgn      A R_Region ptr representing the R_Region to be initied.
 *      r1       A R_Region ptr representing the first region.
 *      r2       A R_Region ptr representing the second region.
 *
 * Returns
 *      TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
int
R_difference
(
    R_Region  *rgn,
    R_Region  *r1,
    R_Region  *r2
)
{
    R_Int      *r1_dat;
    R_Int      *r2_dat;
    int         overlap_flags;

    diff_tot++;

    rgn->rr_RgnData = NULL;
    if (!BB_intersect_test(&r1->rr_BBox, &r2->rr_BBox, &overlap_flags))
    {
        /*
         * The bounding boxes don't intersect. This means that r1 - r2
         * simply equals r1. We make a copy of the relevant bits and get out..
         */
        rgn->rr_BBox = r1->rr_BBox;
        rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = r1->rr_RgnDataSize;
        rgn->rr_RgnData = (R_Int *)malloc(r1->rr_RgnDataSize * sizeof(R_Int));
        if (rgn->rr_RgnData == NULL)
        {
            return FALSE;
        }
        memcpy
        (
            rgn->rr_RgnData,
            r1->rr_RgnData,
            r1->rr_RgnDataSize * sizeof(R_Int)
        );
        return TRUE;
    }
    R_Int          min_row;
    int             dest_size;
    unsigned char   *rgn_bld_stat;
    Rngt           rgn_bld_dat;
    int             in_run;
    int             done_r1_in_row;
    unsigned char   m_high;
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unsigned char    m_low;
IntXYMinMax      new_bbox;

diff_full++;

/*
 * The two regions _do_ overlap in x_and y. We therefore have
 * to do a bit more work in calculating the difference of the two
 * regions. We use the R_RegionBuilder struct to store state
 * regarding the currently active regions as we progress through
 * the rows of each region. After any rows relevant to a y-coord
 * are added to the region builder, we examine the state of each
 * pixel run in the region builder. If the addition of the row(s)
 * for the y-coord have caused the following transitions -
 *      r1      -> 0
 *      0       -> r2
 *      r1 + r2 -> r2
 *      r2      -> r1 + r2
 * ..then the relevant runs are emitted. Firstly, though,
 * we ensure the current region builder is empty,
 * and set up pointers into the region data of the two regions.
*/
r1_dat = r1->rr_RgnData;
r2_dat = r2->rr_RgnData;
R_CurRB->rrb_Nels = 0;
dest_size = 0;

/*
 * Initialise the new_bbox structure for determining the new bounding box.
new_bbox.X.Min = 32767;
new_bbox.Y.Min = 32767;
new_bbox.X.Max = -32768;
new_bbox.Y.Max = -32768;

/*
 * We are now ready to loop through the data from both regions. Notice
 * that we only keep looping whilst r1 has data outstanding. When
 * r1's data is consumed, then any transitions made by r2 are
 * irrelevant.
*/
while (*r1_dat != R_EOR)
{
    ASSERT(*r1_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r1_dat == R_EOR);
    ASSERT(*r2_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r2_dat == R_EOR);
    if (*r1_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r2_dat[1];
    else if (*r2_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r1_dat[1];
    else
        min_row = min(r1_dat[1], r2_dat[1]);
    done_r1_in_row = FALSE;
    if (*r1_dat != R_EOR && r1_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
        /*
         * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
         * row to the current region builder.
        */
        if (!R_add_row_to_region_builder(&r1_dat, 0x1, TRUE))
            return FALSE;
        done_r1_in_row = TRUE;
    }
    if (*r2_dat != R_EOR && r2_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
        /*
         * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
         * row to the current region builder.
        */
    }
}
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        if (!R_add_row_to_region_builder(&r2_dat, 0x2, !done_rl_in_row))
            return FALSE;
    }
    /*
     * Now, we generate the output row for the input rows.
     */
    if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 2))
    {
        return FALSE;
    }
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = R_NEXT_IS_Y;
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = min_row;
    rgn_bld_stat = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData;
    rgn_bld_dat = R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData;
    in_run = FALSE;
    for (i = R_CurRB->rrb_Nels; i > 0; i--)
    {
        m_high = (*rgn_bld_stat & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
        m_low = *rgn_bld_stat & RB_PREV_STATE_MASK;
        if (
        (
            (
                (m_low != 1 && m_high == 1)
                ||
                (m_low == 1 && m_high != 1)
            )
        )
        (
            /*
             * We have to emit a run here, if we're not already
             * in one..
             */
            if (!in_run)
            {
                if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
                {
                    return FALSE;
                }
                r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = *rgn_bld_dat;
                in_run = TRUE;
                new_bbox.X.Min = min(new_bbox.X.Min, *rgn_bld_dat);
            }
        )
        else
        {
            if (in_run)
            (
                /*
                 * We've come to the end of a run. We output the next element
                 * to end it.
                 */
                if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
                (
                    return FALSE;
                )
                r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = *rgn_bld_dat;
                new_bbox.X.Max = max(new_bbox.X.Max, *rgn_bld_dat);
            }
            in_run = FALSE;
        }
        rgn_bld_stat++;
        rgn_bld_dat++;
    }
    if (r_RgnBuf[dest_size - 2] == R_NEXT_IS_Y)
    /*
     * We didn't output anything for these input rows. Rewind..
     */
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        dest_size -= 2;
    }
    else
    {
        if (min_row < new_bbox.Y.Min)
            new_bbox.Y.Min = min_row;
        else if (min_row > new_bbox.Y.Max)
            new_bbox.Y.Max = min_row;
    }
}
/*
 * We've completed constructing the data for the region. Firstly
 * we check to see if we've emitted anything at all. If we have
 * then dest_size must be > 0. If it isn't we simply free the
 * region we created and get out, as r2 - r1 must be empty.
 */
if (dest_size == 0)
{
    return TRUE;
}
/*
 * We make a copy the constructed data from the permanent buffer to
 * an exactly fitting buffer.
 */
rgn->rr_RgnData = (R_Int *)malloc(++dest_size * sizeof(R_Int));
if (rgn->rr_RgnData == NULL)
{
    return FALSE;
}
memcpy(rgn->rr_RgnData, r_RgnBuf, (dest_size - 1) * sizeof(R_Int));
rgn->rr_RgnData[dest_size - 1] = R_EOR;
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = dest_size;
ASSERT(rgn->rr_RgnDataSize >= 9);
/*
 * Now, copy across the bounding box..
 */
rgn->rr_BBox = new_bbox;
/*
 * Done! We can get out..
 */
return TRUE;
#endif /* R_USE_NEW_IMP */
/*
 * r_grow_free_list
 *
 * This function mallocs and adds R_FREE_LIST_GROWTH_SIZE new elements
 * to the front of the region growth free list.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *     None.
 * Returns:
 *     TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
int
r_grow_free_list()
{
    R_RgnGrowItem    *rgi;
    int                i;
    /*
     * First, malloc the memory..
     */
    rgi = (R_RgnGrowItem *)malloc
    (
        R_FREE_LIST_GROWTH_SIZE * sizeof(R_RgnGrowItem)
    );
    if (rgi == NULL)
        return FALSE;
```

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/*
 * Now make the whole block of memory into a list..
 */
for (i = 0; i < R_FREE_LIST_GROWTH_SIZE - 1; i++)
    rgi[i].rrgi_Next = &rgi[i + 1];
/*
 * Now, add it to the front of the free list..
 */
rgi[R_FREE_LIST_GROWTH_SIZE - 1].rrgi_Next = r_free_list;
r_free_list = rgi;
return TRUE;
}

/*
 * R_add_row_to_region_growth_list
 *
 * This function adds a row from a R_Region to a linked list comprised of
 * R_RgnGrowItem structures. "Adding" implies that the linked list is
 * modified such that the state and coordinate information present
 * in the list is updated to take into account the new row just added.
 * Adding a row has the following properties:
 *      * If a pixel run in the row does not exist in the list before,
 *        it is added and it's current state is tagged with the region
 *        to which the row belongs. The previous state is set to 0,
 *        indicating that it did not exist before.
 *      * If a pixel run in the row did exist before, but it's present state
 *        indicates that it came from the other region then the run
 *        is retained but it's state is modified to indicate that
 *        both regions are active at this point.
 *      * If a pixel run in the row did exist before, and it's present
 *        state indicates that the current region then the region is
 *        removed and it's state is modified to indicate that the run is
 *        now empty.
 *      * If a pixel run in the row did exist before, and it's present state
 *        indicates that both regions are currently active then the run
 *        is retained, but its state is modified to indicate that only the
 *        other region is active in this run.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *      row_ptr      A R_Int ** pointer to the row in the region. Used
 *                    to return the updated row pointer.
 *      rgn_mask     A mask for the region the row comes from. Must
 *                    be either 1 or 2.
 *      first        Whether this is the first region to be processed
 *                    on the current scanline.
 *
 * Returns:
 *      TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
int
R_add_row_to_region_growth_list
(
    R_Int      **row_ptr,
    int         rgn_mask,
    int         first
)
{
    R_Int          *row;
    R_RgnGrowItem  *rgi;
    unsigned char   rb_prev_run_state;
    int            row_on;

    row = *row_ptr;
    /*
     * Skip over the row's y value at the beginning.
     */
    ASSERT(*row == R_NEXT_IS_Y);
    row += 2;
    ASSERT(*row != R_NEXT_IS_Y && *row != R_EOR);
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If  (r_growth_list == NULL)
{
    R_RgnGrowItem  **ptr_next_ptr;
    /*
     * The growth list is currently empty. Therefore, we simply convert
     * the input row to the region growth list format..
     */
    row_on = TRUE;
    ptr_next_ptr = &r_growth_list;
    while (R_NOT_END_OF_ROW(*row))
    {
        if (r_free_list == NULL)
        {
            if (!r_grow_free_list())
                return FALSE;
        }
        rgi = r_free_list;
        *ptr_next_ptr = rgi;
        ptr_next_ptr = &rgi->rrgi_Next;
        r_free_list = *ptr_next_ptr;
        rgi->rrgi_RgnData = *row;
        if (row_on)
            rgi->rrgi_StateData = (rgn_mask << RB_STATE_SIZE);
        else
            rgi->rrgi_StateData = 0;
        row_on = !row_on;
        row++;
    }
    *row_ptr = row;
    *ptr_next_ptr = NULL;
    return TRUE;
}

R_RgnGrowItem  fake_item;
R_RgnGrowItem  *prev_rgi;

/*
 * "fake_item" is used as the head of the list. This is so that we _always_ have
 * a valid pointer to the previous item in the list. Only the next pointer and
 * state data are initialised, as these are the only elements which will be
 * referenced.
 */
fake_item.rrgi_StateData = 0;
fake_item.rrgi_Next = r_growth_list;
prev_rgi = &fake_item;

if  (first)
{
    /*
     * If this is the first row to be added on this particular scanline,
     * then we have to update the existing contents of those elements
     * at the beginning of the growth list which precede (in coords) the
     * first element of the row. "Updating" involves updating the
     * newstateoftheelementsbythebeginningofthe
     * new row.
     */
    rgi = r_growth_list;
    while (rgi != NULL && *row > rgi->rrgi_RgnData)
    {
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        rgi->rrgi_StateData = (rgi->rrgi_StateData & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                                (rgi->rrgi_StateData >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        rgi->rrgi_StateData = r_shift_and_dup(rgi->rrgi_StateData);
#endif
        prev_rgi = rgi;
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        rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next;
    }
}
else
{
    /*
     * This is the second row to be added on this particular scanline.
     * Therefore, we don't need to update the state of the elements
     * preceding (in coords) the first run of the row to be added, as
     * they have already been updated by the first row to be added on
     * this scanline. We simply skip over the unaffected elements..
     */
    rgi = r_growth_list;
    while (rgi != NULL && *row > rgi->rrgi_RgnData)
    {
        prev_rgi = rgi;
        rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next;
    }
    if (rgi == NULL)
    {
        /*
         * We've already exhausted the current growth list. Set the start
         * of the next pixel run to be the max. possible and set the state
         * to be 0.
         */
        rb_prev_run_state = 0;
    }
    else
    {
        /*
         * We are still within the current growth list bounds. Set up
         * the run info appropriately.
         */
        if (rgi == r_growth_list)
            rb_prev_run_state = 0;
        else
            rb_prev_run_state = prev_rgi->rrgi_StateData;
    }
}

/*
 * We can now start merging the elements of the row with the remaining
 * elements of the growth list.
*/
row_on = TRUE;
while (R_NOT_END_OF_ROW(*row))
{
    if (rgi == NULL || *row < rgi->rrgi_RgnData)
    {
        /*
         * This is the only situation in which we actually have to
         * create a new list element. First, we check that we
         * actually have an element in the free list that we
         * can use in the growth list..
         */
        if (r_free_list == NULL)
        {
            if (!r_grow_free_list())
                return FALSE;
            prev_rgi->rrgi_Next = r_free_list;
            prev_rgi = r_free_list;
            r_free_list = r_free_list->rrgi_Next;
            prev_rgi->rrgi_Next = rgi;
        }
        /*
         * Now, fill in the data..
         */
        prev_rgi->rrgi_RgnData = *row;
    }
}
```

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        if      (first)
        {
            /*
             * We are processing the first region. Therefore, we
             * copy the current state of the run to the lowest
             * RB_STATE_SIZE bits.
             */
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
            prev_rgi->rrgi_StateData = (rb_prev_run_state & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                                         (rb_prev_run_state >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
            prev_rgi->rrgi_StateData = r_shift_and_dup(rb_prev_run_state);
#endif
        }
        else
        {
            /*
             * We are processing the second region. Therefore, the state data
             * has already been copied to the previous state area so we
             * just copy the state.
             */
            prev_rgi->rrgi_StateData = rb_prev_run_state;
        }
        /*
         * Now, if the row for the current region is active at this transition,
         * we xor the region mask with the current contents of the new list
         * item. This gives the desired behaviour of making that region active
         * if it is not there already, but turns it off if it is...
         */
        if (row_on)
            prev_rgi->rrgi_StateData ^=  (rgn_mask << RB_STATE_SIZE);
        /*
         * We now move onto the next row element.
         */
        row++;
        row_on = !row_on;
        continue;
    }
    /*
     * If the current row transition point is equal in x position to the current
     * list item's transition point, we advance the row counter to
     * the next position.
     */
    if (*row == rgi->rrgi_RgnData)
    {
        row++;
        row_on = !row_on;
    }
    /*
     * We update the current list item to deal with the affects of the
     * current row run..
     */
    rb_prev_run_state = rgi->rrgi_StateData;
    if (first)
    {
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
        rgi->rrgi_StateData = (rb_prev_run_state & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                               (rb_prev_run_state >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
        rgi->rrgi_StateData = r_shift_and_dup(rb_prev_run_state);
#endif
    }
    if (!row_on)
        rgi->rrgi_StateData ^=  (rgn_mask << RB_STATE_SIZE);
    /*
     * We now move onto the next element in the list..
     */
    prev_rgi = rgi;
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        rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next;
    }
    /*
     * Now, simply update the remainder of the elements in the list..
     */
    if (first)
    {
        while (rgi != NULL)
        {
#ifndef RB_USE_LOOKUP
            rgi->rrgi_StateData = (rgi->rrgi_StateData & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) |
                (rgi->rrgi_StateData >> RB_STATE_SIZE);
#else
            rgi->rrgi_StateData = r_shift_and_dup(rgi->rrgi_StateData);
#endif
            rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next;
        }
    }
    /*
     * Now copy "fake_item"'s next pointer to r_growth_list, as it will have
     * changed if something was added to the head of the list..
     */
    r_growth_list = fake_item.rrgi_Next;
    /*
     * Update the return pointer to the region data..
     */
    *row_ptr = row;
    /* Everything should now be OK..
     */
    return TRUE;
}

#endif R_USE_NEW_IMP

/*
 * r_union_test_table
 *
 * A 16-int lookup table which when provided with an unsigned char
 * of the following form xxxy, will provide evaluate the key
 * state transition test of the union construction loop.
 * Note that R_STATE_SIZE _must_ be 2 for this lookup table to
 * work.
 */
int r_union_test_table[16] = {
    0, 1, 1, 1,
    1, 0, 0, 0,
    1, 0, 0, 0,
    1, 0, 0, 0
};

/*
 * R_union
 *
 * This function inits a R_Region structure to represent the union
 * of it's two arguments.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *   rgn      The R_Region to be initialised.
 *   r1       A R_Region ptr representing the first region.
 *   r2       A R_Region ptr representing the second region.
 * Returns
 *   TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
int
R_union
(
    R_Region    *rgn,
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R_Region *r1,
R_Region *r2
}

{
    R_Int      *r1_dat;
    R_Int      *r2_dat;
    int        overlap_flags;

union_tot++;

if (!BB_intersect_test(&r1->rr_BBox, &r2->rr_BBox, &overlap_flags))
{
    /*
     * The bounding boxes don't intersect. This means we can do the
     * union very easily, simply by copying data from the two regions.
     * We malloc a new region data array of size r1->rr_RgnDataSize +
     * r2->rr_RgnDataSize - 1. This is the maximum possible size of
     * resulting region. Not all of this memory will be utilised if
     * the two regions being combined have rows with the same y coordinate
     * (R_NEXT_IS_Y marker is not duplicated).
    */
    rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = r1->rr_RgnDataSize + r2->rr_RgnDataSize - 1;
    rgn->rr_RgnData = (R_Int *)malloc(rgn->rr_RgnDataSize *
                                         sizeof(R_Int));
    if (rgn->rr_RgnData == NULL)
    {
        return FALSE;
    }
    /*
     * Now, check to see if the regions overlap in y...
     if (!(overlap_flags & BB_INTERSECT_OVERLAP_Y))
    {
        /*
         * The regions don't overlap in y. We simply copy one region
         * and then another into the array we malloced. We ensure
         * that r1 points to the region with the smallest y coordinate.
        */
        if (r2->rr_BBox.Y.Min < r1->rr_BBox.Y.Min)
        {
            R_Region *tmp;
            tmp = r1;
            r1 = r2;
            r2 = tmp;
        }
        memcpy
        (
            rgn->rr_RgnData,
            r1->rr_RgnData,
            (r1->rr_RgnDataSize - 1) * sizeof(R_Int)
        );
        memcpy
        (
            rgn->rr_RgnData + r1->rr_RgnDataSize - 1,
            r2->rr_RgnData,
            r2->rr_RgnDataSize * sizeof(R_Int)
        );
        ASSERT(rgn->rr_RgnData[rgn->rr_RgnDataSize - 1] == R_EOR);
    }
    else
    {
        R_Int      *r1_tmp;
        R_Int      *r2_tmp;
        R_Int      *dest;
        R_Int      min_row;
        int        r1_done;
        int        r1_consumed;
        int        r2_consumed;
    }
}
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int      num_written;
/*
 * The bboxes overlap in y but not in x. We simply go row
 * by row through each region and memcpy the individual rows as
 * appropriate. We ensure that r1 points to the region with
 * the smallest x coordinate.
 */
if (r2->rr_BBox.X.Min < r1->rr_BBox.X.Min)
{
    R_Region  *tmp;
    tmp = r1;
    r1 = r2;
    r2 = tmp;
}
r1_dat = r1->rr_RgnData;
r2_dat = r2->rr_RgnData;
dest = rgn->rr_RgnData;
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = 0;
r1_consumed = 0;
r2_consumed = 0;
while (*r1_dat != R_EOR && *r2_dat != R_EOR)
{
    ASSERT(*r1_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y);
    ASSERT(*r2_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y);
    min_row = min(r1_dat[1], r2_dat[1]);
    r1_done = FALSE;
    if (r1_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
        /*
         * We need to emit r1. We therefore need to find where
         * the next row (if any) starts. When we do this we
         * recall that a y value _must_ be followed by at least
         * two x values..
         */
        r1_tmp = r1_dat + 4;
        while (*r1_tmp != R_NEXT_IS_Y && *r1_tmp != R_EOR)
            r1_tmp++;
        num_written = r1_tmp - r1_dat;
        memcpy(dest, r1_dat, num_written * sizeof(R_Int));
        dest += num_written;
        r1_consumed += num_written;
        rgn->RgnDataSize += num_written;
        r1_done = TRUE;
    }
    if (r2_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
        /*
         * We need to emit r1. We therefore need to find where
         * the next row (if any) starts. When we do this we
         * recall that a y value _must_ be followed by at least
         * two x values. If r1's current row has already been
         * emitted for this y value, we do _not_ emit the
         * R_NEXT_IS_Y marker or the y value itself.
         */
        if (r1_done)
        {
            r2_dat += 2;
            r2_tmp = r2_dat + 2;
            r2_consumed += 2;
        }
        else
        {
            r2_tmp = r2_dat + 4;
        }
        while (*r2_tmp != R_NEXT_IS_Y && *r2_tmp != R_EOR)
            r2_tmp++;
        num_written = r2_tmp - r2_dat;
    }
}
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        memcpy(dest, r2_dat, num_written * sizeof(R_Int));
        dest += num_written;
        r2_consumed += num_written;
        rgn->rr_RgnDataSize += num_written;
        r2_dat = r2_tmp;
    }
}
if (*r1_dat != R_EOR)
{
    /*
     * r1 is the last region left standing. We memcpy
     * the remainder of the region (including the
     * R_EOR marker) to the destination.
     */
    ASSERT(r2_consumed == r2->rr_RgnDataSize - 1);
    memcpy
    (
        dest,
        r1_dat,
        (r1->rr_RgnDataSize - r1_consumed) * sizeof(R_Int)
    );
    rgn->rr_RgnDataSize += (r1->rr_RgnDataSize - r1_consumed);
}
else
{
    /*
     * r2 is the last region left standing. We memcpy
     * the remainder of the region (including the
     * R_EOR marker) to the destination.
     */
    ASSERT(r1_consumed == r1->rr_RgnDataSize - 1);
    memcpy
    (
        dest,
        r2_dat,
        (r2->rr_RgnDataSize - r2_consumed) * sizeof(R_Int)
    );
    rgn->rr_RgnDataSize += (r2->rr_RgnDataSize - r2_consumed);
}
ASSERT
(
    rgn->rr_RgnData[rgn->rr_RgnDataSize - 1] == R_EOR
);

}

else
{
    R_Int          min_row;
    R_RgnGrowItem degt_size;
    R_RgnGrowItem *rgi_tail;
    int            in_run;
    int            done_r1_in_row;

    union_full++;

    /*
     * The two regions _do_ overlap in x_and_y. We therefore have
     * to do a bit more work in calculating the union of the two
     * regions. We use the a list of R_RgnGrowItem structs to store state
     * regarding the currently active regions as we progress through
     * the rows of each region. After any rows relevant to a y-coord
     * are added to the list, we examine the state of each
     * pixel run in the list. If the addition of the row(s)
     * for the y-coord have caused a transition to or from 0, then
     * the pixel run is emitted.
     */
}
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r1_dat = r1->rr_RgnData;
r2_dat = r2->rr_RgnData;
dest_size = 0;
/*
 * We are now ready to loop through the data of both regions.
 * We continue building the new region whilst there is data
 * remaining in either of the two regions.
 */
while (*r1_dat != R_EOR || *r2_dat != R_EOR)
{
    ASSERT(*r1_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r1_dat == R_EOR);
    ASSERT(*r2_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r2_dat == R_EOR);
    if (*r1_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r2_dat[1];
    else if (*r2_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r1_dat[1];
    else
        min_row = min(r1_dat[1], r2_dat[1]);
    done_r1_in_row = FALSE;
    if (*r1_dat != R_EOR && r1_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
        /*
         * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
         * row to the current region builder.
         */
        if (!R_add_row_to_region_growth_list(&r1_dat, 0x1, TRUE))
            return FALSE;
        done_r1_in_row = TRUE;
    }
    if (*r2_dat != R_EOR && r2_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
        /*
         * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
         * row to the current region builder.
         */
        if (!R_add_row_to_region_growth_list(&r2_dat, 0x2,
                                              !done_r1_in_row))
            return FALSE;
    }
    /*
     * Now, we generate the output row for the input rows.
     */
    if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 2))
    {
        return FALSE;
    }
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = R_NEXT_IS_Y;
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = min_row;
    in_run = FALSE;
#ifndef R_NEW_IMP_CONSTRUCTION_LOOP
    for (rgi = r_growth_list; rgi != NULL; rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next)
    {
#endif
#if 0
        if
        (
            rgi->rrgi_StateData > 0
            &&
            (
                (rgi->rrgi_StateData & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) == 0
                ||
                (rgi->rrgi_StateData & RB_PREV_STATE_MASK) == 0
            )
        )
#else
        if (r_union_test_table[rgi->rrgi_StateData])
{
        /*

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* We have to emit a run here, if we're not already
* in one..
*/
if (!in_run)
{
    if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
    {
        return FALSE;
    }
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
    in_run = TRUE;
}
else
{
    if (in_run)
    {
        /*
         * We've come to the end of a run. We output the next
         element to end it.
        */
        if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
        {
            return FALSE;
        }
        r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
    }
    in_run = FALSE;
}
/*
 * Not efficient, get rid of it..
 */
if (rgi->rrgi_Next == NULL)
    rgi_tail = rgi;
}

#endif

rgi = r_growth_list;
rgi_tail = rgi;
while (rgi != NULL && !r_union_test_table[rgi->rrgi_StateData])
    rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next;
while (rgi != NULL)
{
    if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 2))
        return FALSE;
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
    do
    {
        rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next;
    } while (rgi != NULL && r_union_test_table[rgi->rrgi_StateData]);
    rgi_tail = rgi;
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
    do
    {
        rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next;
    } while (rgi != NULL && !r_union_test_table[rgi->rrgi_StateData]);
}
if (r_RgnBuf[dest_size - 2] == R_NEXT_IS_Y)
{
    /*
     * We didn't output anything for these input rows. Rewind..
     */
    dest_size -= 2;
}
*/
* Now, we've completed using the growth list for constructing this
* region. Therefore, we add it to the front of the free list, to
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* be re-used later.  
*/  
#ifdef R_NEW_IMP_CONSTRUCTION_LOOP  
    while (rgi_tail->rrgi_Next != NULL)  
        rgi_tail = rgi_tail->rrgi_Next;  
#endif  
    rgi_tail->rrgi_Next = r_free_list;  
    r_free_list = r_growth_list;  
    r_growth_list = NULL;  
/*  
 * We've completed constructing the data for the region. We  
 * make a copy the constructed data from the permanent buffer to  
 * an exactly fitting buffer.  
 */  
rgn->rr_RgnData = (R_Int *)malloc(++dest_size * sizeof(R_Int));  
if (rgn->rr_RgnData == NULL)  
{  
    return FALSE;  
}  
memcpy(rgn->rr_RgnData, r_RgnBuf, (dest_size - 1) * sizeof(R_Int));  
rgn->rr_RgnData[dest_size - 1] = R_EOR;  
rgn->rr_RgnAxisSize = dest_size;  
ASSERT(rgn->rr_RgnAxisSize >= 9);  
}  
/*  
 * We now do a bounding box union of the two component bboxes and place  
 * the result in the new region.  
 */  
BB_union(&r1->rr_BBox, &r2->rr_BBox, &rgn->rr_BBox);  
/*  
 * Done! We can get out..  
 */  
return TRUE;  
}  
  
/*  
 * R_union_equals  
 *  
 * This function basically implements result type equality operation. I.e.  
 *  
 * Parameters:  
 *      r1      A pointer to an R_Region. This represents  
 *              the first half of the union, and is also used to return  
 *              the eventual result.  
 *      r2      A pointer to an R_Region. This represents the second  
 *              half of the union.  
 * Returns:  
 *      TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.  
 */  
int  
R_union_equals  
{  
    R_Region    *r1,  
    R_Region    *r2  
}  
{  
    R_Region    new_rgn;  
    If (r1->rr_RgnData == NULL)  
        return R_init_region_with_region(r1, r2);  
    if (!R_union(&new_rgn, r1, r2))  
        return FALSE;  
    R_empty_region(r1);  
    *r1 = new_rgn;  
    return TRUE;  
}  
/*
```

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* r_intersection_test_table
*
* A 16-int lookup table which when provided with an unsigned char
* of the following form xxxy, will provide evaluate the key
* state transition test of the intersection construction loop.
* Note that R_STATE_SIZE _must_ be 2 for this lookup table to
* work.
*/
int r_intersection_test_table[16] = {
    0, 0, 0, 1,
    0, 0, 0, 1,
    0, 0, 0, 1,
    1, 1, 1, 0
};

/*
* R_intersection
*
* This function inits a R_Region structure to represent the intersection
* of it's two arguments.
*
* Parameters:
*     rgn      A R_Region ptr to the R_Region structure to be initialised.
*     r1       A R_Region ptr representing the first region.
*     r2       A R_Region ptr representing the second region.
* Returns
*     TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
*/
int
R_intersection
(
    R_Region *rgn,
    R_Region *r1,
    R_Region *r2
)
{
    R_Int    *r1_dat;
    R_Int    *r2_dat;
    int      overlap_flags;

    int_tot++;

    rgn->rr_RgnData = NULL;
    if (!BB_intersect_test(&r1->rr_BBox, &r2->rr_BBox, &overlap_flags))
    {
        /*
         * The bounding boxes don't intersect. This means that the regions
         * don't intersect. Therefore, we simply set rgn->rr_RgnData to NULL
         * (signifying an empty region) and get out..
        */
        return TRUE;
    }
    R_Int          min_row;
    int            dest_size;
    R_RgnGrowItem *rgi;
    R_RgnGrowItem *rgi_tail;
    int            in_run;
    int            done_rl_in_row;
    IntXYMinMax   new_bbox;

    int_full++;

    /*
     * The two regions _do_ overlap in x _and_ y. We therefore have
     * to do a bit more work in calculating the intersection of the two
     * regions. We use the R_RegionBuilder struct to store state
     * regarding the currently active regions as we progress through
    
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* the rows of each region. After any rows relevant to a y-coord
* are added to the region builder, we examine the state of each
* pixel run in the region builder. If the addition of the row(s)
* for the y-coord have caused a transition to or from 0x3, then
* the pixel run is emitted.
*/
/*
 * Initialise the new_bbox structure for determining the new bounding box.
*/
new_bbox.X.Min = R_INT_MAX_VALUE;
new_bbox.Y.Min = R_INT_MAX_VALUE;
new_bbox.X.Max = R_INT_MIN_VALUE;
new_bbox.Y.Max = R_INT_MIN_VALUE;

/*
 * The next thing we do is ensure the current region builder is empty,
 * and set up pointers into the region data of the two regions.
*/
r1_dat = r1->rr_RgnData;
r2_dat = r2->rr_RgnData;
dest_size = 0;
/*
 * We are now ready to loop through the data from both regions. Notice
 * that we only keep looping whilst _both_ regions have some data left
 * to give. As soon as either of the region's data has been exhausted,
 * then we stop as the intersection region has already been calculated
 * and is sitting in the rgn_buf.
*/
while (*r1_dat != R_EOR && *r2_dat != R_EOR)
{
    ASSERT(*r1_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r1_dat == R_EOR);
    ASSERT(*r2_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r2_dat == R_EOR);
    If (*r1_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r2_dat[1];
    else if (*r2_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r1_dat[1];
    else
        min_row = min(r1_dat[1], r2_dat[1]);
    done_r1_in_row = FALSE;
    if (*r1_dat != R_EOR && r1_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
        /*
         * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
         * row to the current region builder.
         */
        if (!R_add_row_to_region_growth_list(&r1_dat, 0x1, TRUE))
            return FALSE;
        done_r1_in_row = TRUE;
    }
    if (*r2_dat != R_EOR && r2_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
        /*
         * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
         * row to the current region builder.
         */
        if (!R_add_row_to_region_growth_list(&r2_dat, 0x2, !done_r1_in_row))
            return FALSE;
    }
    /*
     * Now, we generate the output row for the input rows.
     */
    if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 2))
    {
        return FALSE;
    }
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = R_NEXT_IS_Y;
    r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = min_row;
    in_run = FALSE;
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#ifndef R_NEW_IMP_CONSTRUCTION_LOOP
    for (rgi = r_growth_list; rgi != NULL; rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next)
    {
#endif 0
        if
        (
            rgi->rrgi_StateData != (3 | (3 << RB_STATE_SIZE))
            &&
            (
                (rgi->rrgi_StateData & RB_PREV_STATE_MASK) == 3
                ||
                (rgi->rrgi_StateData & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) ==
                    (3 << RB_STATE_SIZE)
            )
        )
    }
#else
    if (r_intersection_test_table[rgi->rrgi_StateData])
{
    /*
     * We have to emit a run here, if we're not already
     * in one..
     */
    if (!in_run)
    {
        if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
        {
            return FALSE;
        }
        r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
        in_run = TRUE;
        new_bbox.X.Min = min(new_bbox.X.Min, rgi->rrgi_RgnData);
    }
    else
    {
        if (in_run)
        {
            /*
             * We've come to the end of a run. We output the next element
             * to end it.
             */
            if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
            {
                return FALSE;
            }
            r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
            new_bbox.X.Max = max(new_bbox.X.Max, rgi->rrgi_RgnData);
        }
        in_run = FALSE;
    }
    /*
     * Not efficient, get rid of it..
     */
    if (rgi->rrgi_Next == NULL)
        rgi_tail = rgi;
}
#endif
        rgi = r_growth_list;
        rgi_tail = rgi;
        while (rgi != rgi_Next & Next; intersection_test_table[rgi->rrgi_StateData])
        while (rgi != NULL)
        {
            if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 2))
                return FALSE;
            r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
            new_bbox.X.Min = min(new_bbox.X.Min, rgi->rrgi_RgnData);
        }
    }
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do
{
    rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next;
} while (rgi != NULL && r_intersection_test_table(rgi->rrgi_StateData));
rgi_tail = rgi;
r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
new_bbox.X.Max = max(new_bbox.X.Max, rgi->rrgi_RgnData);
do
{
    rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next;
} while (rgi != NULL && !r_intersection_test_table(rgi-
>rrgi_StateData));
}
#endif
if (r_RgnBuf[dest_size - 2] == R_NEXT_IS_Y)
{
/*
 * We didn't output anything for these input rows. Rewind..
 */
dest_size -= 2;
else
{
    if (min_row < new_bbox.Y.Min)
        new_bbox.Y.Min = min_row;
    else if (min_row > new_bbox.Y.Max)
        new_bbox.Y.Max = min_row;
}
/*
 * Now, we've completed using the growth list for constructing this
 * region. Therefore, we add it to the front of the free list, to
 * be re-used later.
*/
#endif R_NEW_IMP_CONSTRUCTION_LOOP
while (rgi_tail->rrgi_Next != NULL)
    rgi_tail = rgi_tail->rrgi_Next;
#endif
rgi_tail->rrgi_Next = r_free_list;
r_free_list = r_growth_list;
r_growth_list = NULL;
/*
 * We've completed constructing the data for the region. Firstly
 * we check to see if we've emitted anything at all. If we have
 * then dest_size must be > 0. If it isn't we simply free the
 * region we created and get out, as the regions don't really
 * intersect, in spite of their intersecting bounding boxes.
*/
if (dest_size == 0)
{
    return TRUE;
}
/*
 * We make a copy the constructed data from the permanent buffer to
 * an exactly fitting buffer.
*/
rgn->rr_RgnData = (R_Int *)malloc(++dest_size * sizeof(R_Int));
if (rgn->rr_RgnData == NULL)
{
    return FALSE;
}
memcpy(rgn->rr_RgnData, r_RgnBuf, (dest_size - 1) * sizeof(R_Int));
rgn->rr_RgnData[dest_size - 1] = R_EOR;
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = dest_size;
ASSERT(rgn->rr_RgnDataSize >= 9);
/*
 * Now, copy across the bounding box.. Before we do this, we subtract
 * 1 from X.Max and Y.Max because of the region format.
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    */
new_bbox.X.Max--;
new_bbox.Y.Max--;
rgn->rr_BBox = new_bbox;
/*
 * Done! We can get out..
 */
return TRUE;
}

/*
 * r_difference_test_table
 *
 * A 16-int lookup table which when provided with an unsigned char
 * of the following form xxxy, will provide evaluate the key
 * state transition test of the difference construction loop.
 * Note that R_STATE_SIZE _must_ be 2 for this lookup table to
 * work.
 */
int r_difference_test_table[16] = {
    0, 1, 0, 0,
    1, 0, 1, 1,
    0, 1, 0, 0,
    0, 1, 0, 0
};

/*
 * R_difference
 *
 * This function inits a R_Region structure to represent the difference of
 * it's two arguments. It essentially calculates r1 - r2
 *
 * Parameters:
 *     rgn      A R_Region ptr representing the R_Region to be initied.
 *     r1       A R_Region ptr representing the first region.
 *     r2       A R_Region ptr representing the second region.
 * Returns
 *     TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
int
R_difference
(
    R_Region    *rgn,
    R_Region    *r1,
    R_Region    *r2
)
{
    R_Int        *r1_dat;
    R_Int        *r2_dat;
    int          overlap_flags;

    diff_tot++;

    rgn->rr_RgnData = NULL;
    if (!BB_intersect_test(&r1->rr_BBox, &r2->rr_BBox, &overlap_flags))
    {
        /*
         * The bounding boxes don't intersect. This means that r1 - r2
         * simply equals r1. We make a copy of the relevant bits and get out..
         */
        rgn->rr_BBox = r1->rr_BBox;
        rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = r1->rr_RgnDataSize;
        rgn->rr_RgnData = (R_Int *)malloc(r1->rr_RgnDataSize * sizeof(R_Int));
        if (rgn->rr_RgnData == NULL)
        {
            return FALSE;
        }
    }
}
```

```
memcpy
(
    rgn->rr_RgnData,
    r1->rr_RgnData,
    r1->rr_RgnDataSize * sizeof(R_Int)
);
return TRUE;
}
R_Int      min_row;
int        dest_size;
R_RgnGrowItem *rgi;
R_RgnGrowItem *rgi_tail;
int        in_run;
int        done_r1_in_row;
unsigned char m_high;
unsigned char m_low;
IntXYMinMax new_bbox;

diff_full++;

/*
 * The two regions _do_ overlap in x_and y. We therefore have
 * to do a bit more work in calculating the difference of the two
 * regions. We use the R_RegionBuilder struct to store state
 * regarding the currently active regions as we progress through
 * the rows of each region. After any rows relevant to a y-coord
 * are added to the region builder, we examine the state of each
 * pixel run in the region builder. If the addition of the row(s)
 * for the y-coord have caused the following transitions -
 *
 *          r1      -> 0
 *          0       -> r2
 *          r1 + r2 -> r2
 *          r2      -> r1 + r2
 * ..then the relevant runs are emitted. Firstly, though,
 * we ensure the current region builder is empty,
 * and set up pointers into the region data of the two regions.
 */
r1_dat = r1->rr_RgnData;
r2_dat = r2->rr_RgnData;
dest_size = 0;

/*
 * Initialise the new_bbox structure for determining the new bounding box.
 */
new_bbox.X.Min = 32767;
new_bbox.Y.Min = 32767;
new_bbox.X.Max = -32768;
new_bbox.Y.Max = -32768;

/*
 * We are now ready to loop through the data from both regions. Notice
 * that we only keep updating the region builder when a run is being rendered.
 * irrelevant.
 */
while (*r1_dat != R_EOR)
{
    ASSERT(*r1_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r1_dat == R_EOR);
    ASSERT(*r2_dat == R_NEXT_IS_Y || *r2_dat == R_EOR);
    if (*r1_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r2_dat[1];
    else if (*r2_dat == R_EOR)
        min_row = r1_dat[1];
    else
        min_row = min(r1_dat[1], r2_dat[1]);
    done_r1_in_row = FALSE;
    if (*r1_dat != R_EOR && r1_dat[1] == min_row)
    {
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/*
 * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
 * row to the current region builder.
 */
if (!R_add_row_to_region_growth_list(&r1_dat, 0x1, TRUE))
    return FALSE;
done_r1_in_row = TRUE;
}
if (*r2_dat != R_EOR && r2_dat[1] == min_row)
{
    /*
     * The first region is active on this y coord. We add this
     * row to the current region builder.
     */
    if (!R_add_row_to_region_growth_list(&r2_dat, 0x2, !done_r1_in_row))
        return FALSE;
}
/*
 * Now, we generate the output row for the input rows.
 */
if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 2))
{
    return FALSE;
}
r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = R_NEXT_IS_Y;
r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = min_row;
in_run = FALSE;
#ifndef R_NEW_IMP_CONSTRUCTION_LOOP
for (rgi = r_growth_list; rgi != NULL; rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next)
{
#endif
#if 0
    m_high = (rgi->rrgi_StateData & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) >> RB_STATE_SIZE;
    m_low = rgi->rrgi_StateData & RB_PREV_STATE_MASK;
    if
    (
        (
            (m_low != 1 && m_high == 1)
            ||
            (m_low == 1 && m_high != 1)
        )
    )
#else
    if (r_difference_test_table[rgi->rrgi_StateData])
{
    /*
     * We have to emit a run here, if we're not already
     * in one..
     */
    if (!in_run)
    {
        if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
        {
            return FALSE;
        }
        r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
        in_run = TRUE;
        new_bbox.X.Min = min(new_bbox.X.Min, rgi->rrgi_RgnData);
    }
}
else
{
    if (in_run)
    {
        /*
         * We've come to the end of a run. We output the next element
         * to end it.
        */
    }
}
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        if (!r_check_rgn_buf_len(dest_size + 1))
        {
            return FALSE;
        }
        r_RgnBuf[dest_size++] = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
        new_bbox.X.Max = max(new_bbox.X.Max, rgi->rrgi_RgnData);
    }
    in_run = FALSE;
}
/*
 * Not efficient, get rid of it..
 */
if (rgi->rrgi_Next == NULL)
    rgi_tail = rgi;
}

#endif
if (r_RgnBuf[dest_size - 2] == R_NEXT_IS_Y)
{
    /* We didn't output anything for these input rows. Rewind..
     */
    dest_size -= 2;
}
else
{
    if (min_row < new_bbox.Y.Min)
        new_bbox.Y.Min = min_row;
    else if (min_row > new_bbox.Y.Max)
        new_bbox.Y.Max = min_row;
}
/*
 * Now, we've completed using the growth list for constructing this
 * region. Therefore, we add it to the front of the free list, to
 * be re-used later.
 */
#endif R_NEW_IMP_CONSTRUCTION_LOOP
while (rgi_tail->rrgi_Next != NULL)
    rgi_tail = rgi_tail->rrgi_Next;
#endif
rgi_tail->rrgi_Next = r_free_list;
r_free_list = r_growth_list;
r_growth_list = NULL;
/*
 * We've completed constructing the data for the region. Firstly
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* we check to see if we've emitted anything at all. If we have
* then dest_size must be > 0. If it isn't we simply free the
* region we created and get out, as r2 - r1 must be empty.
*/
if (dest_size == 0)
{
    return TRUE;
}
/*
 * We make a copy the constructed data from the permanent buffer to
 * an exactly fitting buffer.
*/
rgn->rr_RgnData = (R_Int *)malloc(dest_size * sizeof(R_Int));
if (rgn->rr_RgnData == NULL)
{
    return FALSE;
}
memcpy(rgn->rr_RgnData, r_RgnBuf, (dest_size - 1) * sizeof(R_Int));
rgn->rr_RgnData[dest_size - 1] = R_EOR;
rgn->rr_RgnDataSize = dest_size;
ASSERT(rgn->rr_RgnDataSize >= 9);
/*
 * Now, copy across the bounding box..
 */
rgn->rr_BBox = new_bbox;
/*
 * Done! We can get out..
 */
return TRUE;
}
#endif /* R_USE_NEW_IMP */

/*
 * R_compare
 *
 * This function compares two regions and determines if they are the same.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *      rgn1    The first R_Region.
 *      rgn2    The second R_Region.
 *
 * Returns:
 *      TRUE if they are the same, FALSE if they aren't.
 */
int
R_compare
(
    R_Region    *rgn1,
    R_Region    *rgn2
)
{
/*
 * If their region data sizes don't agree, then they aren't the same.
 */
if  (rgn1->rr_RgnDataSize != rgn2->rr_RgnDataSize)
    return FALSE;
if
(
    memcmp(
        rgn1->rr_RgnData,
        rgn2->rr_RgnData,
        rgn1->rr_RgnDataSize * sizeof(R_Int)
    )
    ==
    0
)
    return TRUE;
return FALSE;
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}

/*
 * r_check_rect_buf_len
 *
 * This function checks to see if the static rectangle buffer is large
 * enough. If it isn't then it is reallocated to make it large enough.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *     size The required size of the r_RectBuf array.
 * Returns:
 *     TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
static int
r_check_rect_buf_len
(
    int      size
)
{
    ASSERT(size >= 0);
    if (size > r_RectBufSize)
    {
        int          new_buf_size;
        IntXYMinMax *new_buf;
        new_buf_size = max(size, r_RectBufSize * 2);
        new_buf = (IntXYMinMax *)malloc
            (new_buf_size * sizeof(IntXYMinMax));
        if (new_buf == NULL)
            return FALSE;
        if (r_RectBuf != NULL)
        {
            memcpy(new_buf, r_RectBuf, r_RectBufSize * sizeof(IntXYMinMax));
            free(r_RectBuf);
        }
        r_RectBuf = new_buf;
        r_RectBufSize = new_buf_size;
    }
    return TRUE;
}

#ifndef R_USE_NEW_IMP
/*
 * R_rects_from_region
 *
 * This function returns a group of non-overlapping rectangles which
 * together constitute the region. The group of rectangles returned is
 * ergo always be optimal as the function uses the RegionBuffered structure
 * make the rectangles produced more optimal.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *     rgn      The region from which a rectangle array is required.
 *     rects    A pointer to a pointer to a IntXYMinMax structure. Used
 *             to return the array.
 *     num_rects A pointer to an int. Used to return the number of
 *             elements in the array.
 *     static_ok This boolean arg is passed as TRUE if a pointer to
 *             the r_RectBuf is sufficient. This is TRUE if usefulness of
 *             the rectangle data obtained ends before the next call to
 *             R_rects_from_region (for any region). FALSE is passed if
 *             a newly malloced copy is required. Basically is TRUE is
 *             passed the pointer returned must not be freed.
 *
 * Returns:
 *     TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
 */
int
R_rects_from_region
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R_Region      *rgn,
IntXYMinMax  **rects,
int           *num_rects,
int           static_ok
}

{
R_Int         *rgn_data;
int            dest_index;
int            prev_y;
int            prev_x;
unsigned char *rgn_bld_stat;
R_Int         *rgn_bld_dat;
int            i;
int            in_run;

/*
 * Give "nice" defaults for return stuff in cause we fail..
 */
*rects = NULL;
*num_rects = 0;
/*
 * We grab a pointer to the region data for the region and ensure
 * that the current region builder is empty..
 */
rgn_data = rgn->rr_RgnData;
if (*rgn_data == NULL)
/*
 * This is an empty region.. Get out..
 */
return TRUE;
ASSERT(*rgn_data == R_NEXT_IS_Y);
R_CurRB->rrb_Nels = 0;
/*
 * We add the first row to the region builder. We also
 */
prev_y = rgn_data[1];
if (!R_add_row_to_region_builder(&rgn_data, 0x1, TRUE))
    return FALSE;
ASSERT(*rgn_data == R_NEXT_IS_Y);
ASSERT(*rgn_data != R_EOR);
/*
 * We are now in a position to loop through the data of the region.
 * We continue until the region data runs out. Basically, we output
 * the runs in the current region builder out as rectangles. Using
 * x-coords from the region builder and y coords of the rows. Then,
 * we add then next row to the region builder.
 */
dest_index = 0;
while (*rgn_data != R_EOR)
{
    ASSERT(*rgn_data == R_NEXT_IS_Y);

    rgn_bld_stat = R_CurRB->rrb_StateData;
    rgn_bld_dat = R_CurRB->rrb_RgnData;
    in_run = FALSE;
    for (i = R_CurRB->rrb_Nels; i > 0; i--)
    {
        if ((*rgn_bld_stat & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) > 0)
        /*
         * We have to emit a run here, if we're not already
         * in one..
         */
        if (!in_run)
        {
            prev_x = *rgn_bld_dat;
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        in_run = TRUE;
    }
}
else
{
    if (in_run)
    {
        /*
         * We've come to the end of a run. We output the rectangle
         * right here..
        */
        if (!r_check_rect_buf_len(dest_index + 1))
            return FALSE;
        r_RectBuf[dest_index].X.Min = prev_x;
        r_RectBuf[dest_index].Y.Min = prev_y;
        r_RectBuf[dest_index].X.Max = *rgn_bld_dat - 1;
        r_RectBuf[dest_index++].Y.Max = rgn_data[1] - 1;
    }
    in_run = FALSE;
}
rgn_bld_stat++;
rgn_bld_dat++;
}
/*
 * Now, we advance onto the next row..
 */
prev_y = rgn_data[1];
if (!R_add_row_to_region_builder(&rgn_data, 0x1, TRUE))
    return FALSE;
/*
 * Ok, we have the array of rectangles sitting around. If static_ok
 * is TRUE then we simply set the return pointers and get out.
 * Otherwise, we need to malloc a copy of the r_RectBuf.
 */
*num_rects = dest_index;
if (static_ok)
{
    *rects = r_RectBuf;
}
else
{
    *rects = (IntXYMinMax *)malloc(dest_index * sizeof(IntXYMinMax));
    if (*rects == NULL)
        return FALSE;
    memcpy(*rects, r_RectBuf, dest_index * sizeof(IntXYMinMax));
}
return TRUE;
}
#endif
/*
 * R_rects_from_region
 *
 * This function returns a group of non-overlapping rectangles which
 * together constitute the region. The group of rectangles returned is
 * currently non-optimal as the function uses the R_RegionBuilder structure
 * to store state. A more specific data structure will be required to
 * make the rectangles produced more optimal.
 *
 * Parameters:
 *     rgn      The region from which a rectangle array is required.
 *     rects   A pointer to a pointer to a IntXYMinMax structure. Used
 *            to return the array.
 *     num_rects A pointer to an int. Used to return the number of
 *            elements in the array.
 *     static_ok This boolean arg is passed as TRUE if a pointer to
 *            the r_RectBuf is sufficient. This is TRUE if usefulness of
 *            the rectangle data obtained ends before the next call to

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* R_rects_from_region (for any region). FALSE is passed if
* a newly malloced copy is required. Basically is TRUE is
* passed the pointer returned must _not_ be freed.
* Returns:
*     TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
*/
int
R_rects_from_region
(
    R_Region          *rgn,
    IntXYMinMax      **rects,
    int               *num_rects,
    int               static_ok
)
{
    R_Int             *rgn_data;
    int                dest_index;
    R_RgnGrowItem     *rgi;
    R_RgnGrowItem     *rgi_tail;
    int                prev_y;
    int                prev_x;
    int                in_run;

    /*
     * Give "nice" defaults for return stuff in cause we fail..
     */
    *rects = NULL;
    *num_rects = 0;
    /*
     * We grab a pointer to the region data for the region and ensure
     * that the current region builder is empty..
     */
    rgn_data = rgn->rr_RgnData;
    if (rgn_data == NULL)
    /*
     * This is an empty region.. Get out..
     */
        return TRUE;
    ASSERT(*rgn_data == R_NEXT_IS_Y);
    /*
     * We add the first row of the region to the region builder. We also
     */store the y-coord of this first row.
    prev_y = rgn_data[1];
    if (!R_add_row_to_region_growth_list(&rgn_data, 0x1, TRUE))
        return FALSE;
    ASSERT(*rgn_data == R_NEXT_IS_Y);
    ASSERT(*rgn_data != R_EOR);
    /*
     * We are now in a position to loop through the data of the region.
     * We continue until the region data runs out. Basically, we output
     * the runs in the current region builder out as rectangles. Using
     * x-coords from the region builder and y coords of the rows. Then,
     * we add then next row to the region builder.
     */
    dest_index = 0;
    while (*rgn_data != R_EOR)
    {
        ASSERT(*rgn_data == R_NEXT_IS_Y);

        in_run = FALSE;
        for (rgi = r_growth_list; rgi != NULL; rgi = rgi->rrgi_Next)
        {
            if ((rgi->rrgi_StateData & RB_CUR_STATE_MASK) > 0)
            /*
             * We have to emit a run here, if we're not already
             * in one..
             */
            {
                R_rects_from_region (for any region). FALSE is passed if
                a newly malloced copy is required. Basically is TRUE is
                passed the pointer returned must _not_ be freed.
                Returns:
                TRUE on success, FALSE on failure.
            }
        }
    }
}
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        */
        if (!in_run)
        {
            prev_x = rgi->rrgi_RgnData;
            in_run = TRUE;
        }
    }
    else
    {
        if (in_run)
        {
            /*
             * We've come to the end of a run. We output the rectangle
             * right here..
             */
            if (!r_check_rect_buf_len(dest_index + 1))
                return FALSE;
            r_RectBuf[dest_index].X.Min = prev_x;
            r_RectBuf[dest_index].Y.Min = prev_y;
            r_RectBuf[dest_index].X.Max = rgi->rrgi_RgnData - 1;
            r_RectBuf[dest_index++].Y.Max = rgn_data[1] - 1;
        }
        in_run = FALSE;
    }
    /*
     * Not efficient, get rid of it..
     */
    if (rgi->rrgi_Next == NULL)
        rgi_tail = rgi;
}
/*
 * Now, we advance onto the next row..
 */
prev_y = rgn_data[1];
if (!R_add_row_to_region_growth_list(&rgn_data, 0x1, TRUE))
    return FALSE;
}
/*
 * Now, we've completed using the growth list for constructing the
 * rect list. Therefore, we add it to the front of the free list, to
 * be re-used later.
 */
rgi_tail->rrgi_Next = r_free_list;
r_free_list = r_growth_list;
r_growth_list = NULL;
/*
 * Ok, we have the array of rectangles sitting around. If static_ok
 * is TRUE then we simply set the return pointers and get out.
 * Otherwise, we need to malloc a copy of the r_RectBuf.
 */
*num_rects = dest_index;
if (static_ok)
{
    *rects = r_RectBuf;
}
else
{
    *rects = (IntXYMinMax *)malloc(dest_index * sizeof(IntXYMinMax));
    if (*rects == NULL)
        return FALSE;
    memcpy(*rects, r_RectBuf, dest_index * sizeof(IntXYMinMax));
}
return TRUE;
#endif /* R_USE_NEW_IMP */

/*
 * R_translate_region
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*  
* This function simply translates a region by the delta provided.  
*  
* Parameters:  
*     rgn      A ptr to the R_Region to be translated.  
*     delta    An IntXY ptr representing the amount to translate  
*               in x and y.  
* Returns:  
*     Nothing.  
*/  
void  
R_translate_region  
(  
    R_Region      *rgn,  
    IntXY        *delta  
)  
{  
    R_Int      *rgn_data;  
    BB_translate(&rgn->rr_BBox, delta);  
    rgn_data = rgn->rr_RgnData;  
    for (int i = 0; i < rgn->rr_RgnDataSize - 1; i++)  
    {  
        if (rgn_data[i] == R_NEXT_IS_Y)  
        {  
            i++;  
            rgn_data[i] += + delta->Y;  
            continue;  
        }  
        rgn_data[i] += delta->X;  
    }  
/*  
 * R_output_region_as_debug_string  
*  
* This function simply outputs a region's data using the debug string  
* functionality.  
*  
* Parameters:  
*     rgn_name   A string used to output a user-defined name for the  
*                 region.  
*     rgn        The region to be output.  
* Returns:  
*     Nothing.  
*/  
void  
R_output_region_as_debug_string  
(  
    char      *rgn_name,  
    R_Region  *rgn  
)  
{  
    char buffer[128];  
    int index;  
    int line_len;  
  
    sprintf(buffer, "\n+Rgn : %s\n", rgn_name);  
    OutputDebugString(buffer);  
    if (rgn == NULL)  
    {  
        sprintf(buffer, "-----End %s (Empty)\n", rgn_name);  
        OutputDebugString(buffer);  
        return;  
    }  
    sprintf  
(  
        buffer,  
        "-----BBox:(%d, %d, %d, %d)\n",
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rgn->rr_BBox.X.Min,
rgn->rr_BBox.Y.Min,
rgn->rr_BBox.X.Max,
rgn->rr_BBox.Y.Max
);
OutputDebugString(buffer);
sprintf(buffer, "+---Nels: %d\n", rgn->rr_RgnDataSize);
OutputDebugString(buffer);
sprintf(buffer, "+---Data: ...");
OutputDebugString(buffer);
for (index = 0; index < rgn->rr_RgnDataSize; index++)
{
    if (rgn->rr_RgnData[index] == R_NEXT_IS_Y)
    {
        sprintf(buffer, "\n|           Y:%3d--> ", rgn->rr_RgnData[++index]);
        line_len = strlen(buffer);
        OutputDebugString(buffer);
    }
    else if (rgn->rr_RgnData[index] == R_EOR)
    {
        sprintf(buffer, "\n+----End %s\n", rgn_name);
        OutputDebugString(buffer);
    }
    else
    {
        sprintf(buffer, "%3d, ", rgn->rr_RgnData[index]);
        if (strlen(buffer) + line_len > 80)
        {
            OutputDebugString("\n|           ");
            line_len = strlen("\n|           ");
        }
        OutputDebugString(buffer);
        line_len += strlen(buffer);
    }
}
#define NUM_ITERATIONS      200

int
R_test_new_region_arithmetic()
{
    R_Region      rgn1;
    R_Region      rgn2;
    R_Region      rgn3;
    R_Region      rgn4;
    R_Region      rgn5;
    R_Region      rgn6;
    IntXYMinMax  rect;
    int           i;
    IntXY         delta;
    char          buf[256];
    unsigned long ticks_new;
    unsigned long ticks_old;

#if 0
/*
 * Union Test.
 */
ticks_new = GetTickCount();
rect.X.Min = 50;
rect.Y.Min = 50;
rect.X.Max = 100;
rect.Y.Max = 100;
if (!R_init_region_with_rect(&rgn1, &rect))
    return FALSE;
rect.X.Min = 70;
rect.Y.Min = 70;
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rect.X.Max = 120;
rect.Y.Max = 120;
if (!R_init_region_with_rect(&rgn2, &rect))
    return FALSE;
if (!R_union_list_equals(&rgn1, &rgn2))
    return FALSE;
delta.X = 5;
delta.Y = 5;
for (i = 0; i < NUM_ITERATIONS; i++)
{
    R_translate_region(&rgn2, &delta);
    if (!R_union_list_equals(&rgn1, &rgn2))
        return FALSE;
}
ticks_new = GetTickCount() - ticks_new;

ticks_old = GetTickCount();
rect.X.Min = 50;
rect.Y.Min = 50;
rect.X.Max = 100;
rect.Y.Max = 100;
if (!R_init_region_with_rect(&rgn3, &rect))
    return FALSE;
rect.X.Min = 70;
rect.Y.Min = 70;
rect.X.Max = 120;
rect.Y.Max = 120;
if (!R_init_region_with_rect(&rgn4, &rect))
    return FALSE;
if (!R_union_equals(&rgn3, &rgn4))
    return FALSE;
delta.X = 5;
delta.Y = 5;
for (i = 0; i < NUM_ITERATIONS; i++)
{
    R_translate_region(&rgn4, &delta);
    if (!R_union_equals(&rgn3, &rgn4))
        return FALSE;
}
ticks_old = GetTickCount() - ticks_old;

if (R_compare(&rgn1, &rgn3))
    sprintf(buf, "New & Old Region Implementations match.\n");
else
    sprintf(buf, "New & Old Region Implementations DO NOT match.\n");
OutputDebugString(buf);
sprintf(buf, "Union Timings - New=%d vs Old=%d\n", ticks_new, ticks_old);
OutputDebugString(buf);
//R_output_region_as_debug_string("New Region Description", &rgn1);
//R_output_region_as_debug_string("Old Region Description", &rgn3);

/*
 * Intersection Test.
 */
R_empty_region(&rgn2);
R_empty_region(&rgn4);
rect.X.Min = 70;
rect.Y.Min = 70;
rect.X.Max = 120;
rect.Y.Max = 120;
if (!R_init_region_with_rect(&rgn2, &rect))
    return FALSE;
delta.X = 5;
delta.Y = 5;
for (i = 0; i < NUM_ITERATIONS; i++)
{
    if (!R_intersection_list(&rgn5, &rgn1, &rgn2))
        return FALSE;
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    if (!R_intersection(&rgn6, &rgn3, &rgn2))
        return FALSE;
    if (!R_compare(&rgn5, &rgn6))
    {
        sprintf(buf, "New & Old Region Implementations DO NOT match.\n");
        OutputDebugString(buf);
    }
    R_empty_region(&rgn5);
    R_empty_region(&rgn6);
    R_translate_region(&rgn2, &delta);
}

ticks_new = GetTickCount();
R_empty_region(&rgn2);
rect.X.Min = 70;
rect.Y.Min = 70;
rect.X.Max = 120;
rect.Y.Max = 120;
if (!R_init_region_with_rect(&rgn2, &rect))
    return FALSE;
delta.X = 5;
delta.Y = 5;
for (i = 0; i < NUM_ITERATIONS; i++)
{
    if (!R_intersection_list(&rgn5, &rgn1, &rgn2))
        return FALSE;
    R_empty_region(&rgn5);
    R_translate_region(&rgn2, &delta);
}
ticks_new = GetTickCount() - ticks_new;

ticks_old = GetTickCount();
R_empty_region(&rgn2);
rect.X.Min = 70;
rect.Y.Min = 70;
rect.X.Max = 120;
rect.Y.Max = 120;
if (!R_init_region_with_rect(&rgn2, &rect))
    return FALSE;
delta.X = 5;
delta.Y = 5;
for (i = 0; i < NUM_ITERATIONS; i++)
{
    if (!R_intersection(&rgn6, &rgn3, &rgn2))
        return FALSE;
    R_empty_region(&rgn6);
    R_translate_region(&rgn2, &delta);
}
ticks_old = GetTickCount() - ticks_old;

sprintf(buf, "Intersection Timings - New=%d vs Old=%d\n", ticks_new, ticks_old);
OutputDebugString(buf);
//R_output_region_as_debug_string("New Region Description", &rgn1);
//R_output_region_as_debug_string("Old Region Description", &rgn3);

R_empty_region(&rgn1);
R_empty_region(&rgn2);
R_empty_region(&rgn3);
R_empty_region(&rgn4);
OutputDebugString("Done!!\n");
#endif
    return TRUE;
}
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The claims defining the invention are as follows:

1. A method of creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said method comprising the steps of:
 - 5 dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space;
 - 10 manipulating said regions to determine a plurality of further regions, wherein each said further region has a corresponding compositing expression;
 - 15 classifying said further regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said further regions;
 - 20 modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said further region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said further region; and
 - 25 compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.
2. A method according to claim 1, wherein said attribute is selected from the group consisting of colour, opacity and object outline.
3. A method according to claims 1 or 2, wherein said manipulating said regions comprises applying set operations to said regions.
- 25 4. A method according to claim 3, wherein said set operations include difference and/or intersection operations.
5. A method according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein said grid is regularly spaced and preferably orthogonally based.
- 30 6. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein said grid is irregularly shaped.
7. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the compositing

expression is a hierarchically structured representation of the image.

8. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 7, wherein said image is at least in part a pixel-based image.

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9. A method according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein a flag is stored to indicate whether data of an object is opaque or ordinary.

10. A method according to claim 9, wherein said compositing expression is optimized based on a value of said flag for contributing objects.

11. A method according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein a wholly opaque object in said region acts to eliminate one or more objects within said region from said compositing expressions.

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12. A method according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein a wholly transparent object in said region eliminates at least itself from said compositing expression.

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13. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 12, wherein said modifying comprises modifying a manner in which said compositing expression is evaluated without modifying said hierarchically structured representation.

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14. A method of creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said method comprising the steps of:

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dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space, wherein each object has two region outlines arranged either side of said predetermined outline to thus define three regions for each said object, and wherein each said region has a corresponding compositing expression;

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classifying said regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said regions;

modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said region; and

compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

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15. A method according to claim 14, wherein said attribute is selected from the group consisting of colour, opacity and object outline.

10 16. A method according to any one of claims 14 or 15, wherein said grid is regularly spaced and preferably orthogonally based.

17. A method according to any one of claims 14 to 16, wherein said grid is irregularly shaped.

15 18. A method according to any one of claims 14 to 17, wherein said compositing expression is a hierarchically structured representation of the image.

19. A method according to any one of claims 14 to 18, wherein said image is at least in part a pixel-based image.

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20. A method according to any one of claims 14 to 19, wherein a flag is stored to indicate whether data of an object is opaque or ordinary.

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21. A method according to claim 20, wherein said compositing expression is optimized based on a value of said flag for contributing objects.

22. A method according to any one of claims 14 to 21, wherein a wholly opaque object in said region acts to eliminate one or more objects within said region from said compositing expressions.

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23. A method according to any one of claims 14 to 22, wherein a wholly transparent object in said region eliminates at least itself from said compositing expression.

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24. A method according to any one of claims 14 to 23, wherein said modifying comprises modifying a manner in which said compositing expression is

evaluated without modifying said hierarchically structured representation.

25. An apparatus for creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said apparatus comprising:

dividing means for dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space;

10 manipulating means for manipulating said regions to determine a plurality of further regions, wherein each said further region has a corresponding compositing expression;

classifying means for classifying said further regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said further regions;

15 modifying means for modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said further region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said further region; and

compositing means for compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

20 26. An apparatus according to claim 25, wherein said attribute is selected from the group consisting of colour, opacity and object outline.

25 27. An apparatus according to claims 25 or 26, wherein said manipulating aid regions comprises applying set operations to said regions.

28. An apparatus according to claim 27, wherein said set operations include difference and/or intersection operations.

30 29. An apparatus according to any one of claims 25 to 28, wherein said grid is regularly spaced and preferably orthogonally based.

30. An apparatus according to any one of claims 25 to 28, wherein said grid is irregularly shaped.

31. An apparatus according to any one of claims 25 to 30, wherein said compositing expression is a hierarchically structured representation of the image.

32. An apparatus according to any one of claims 25 to 31, wherein said image is at least in part a pixel-based image.
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33. An apparatus according to any one of claims 25 to 32, wherein a flag is stored to indicate whether data of an object is opaque or ordinary.

10 34. An apparatus according to claim 33, wherein said compositing expression is optimized based on a value of said flag for contributing objects.

15 35. An apparatus according to any one of claims 25 to 34, wherein a wholly opaque object in said region acts to eliminate one or more objects within said region from said compositing expressions.

20 36. An apparatus according to any one of claims 25 to 35, wherein a wholly transparent object in said region eliminates at least itself from said compositing expression.

25 37. An apparatus according to any one of claims 25 to 36, wherein said modifying comprises modifying a manner in which said compositing expression is evaluated without modifying said hierarchically structured representation.

30 38. An apparatus for creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said apparatus comprising:

35 dividing means for dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space, wherein each object has two region outlines arranged either side of said predetermined outline to thus define three regions for each said object, and wherein each said region has a corresponding compositing expression;

35 classifying means for classifying said regions according to at least one attribute of

said graphical objects within said regions;

modifying means for modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said region; and

5 compositing means for compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

39. An apparatus according to claim 38, wherein said attribute is selected from the group consisting of colour, opacity and object outline.

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40. An apparatus according to any one of claims 38 or 39, wherein said grid is regularly spaced and preferably orthogonally based.

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41. method according to any one of claims 38 to 40, wherein said grid is irregularly shaped.

42. An apparatus according to any one of claims 38 to 41, wherein said compositing expression is a hierarchically structured representation of the image.

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43. An apparatus according to any one of claims 38 to 42, wherein said image is at least in part a pixel-based image.

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44. An apparatus according to any one of claims 38 to 43, wherein a flag is stored to indicate whether data of an object is opaque or ordinary.

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45. An apparatus according to claim 44, wherein said compositing expression is optimized based on a value of said flag for contributing objects.

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46. An apparatus according to any one of claims 38 to 45, wherein a wholly opaque object in said region acts to eliminate one or more objects within said region from said compositing expressions.

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47. An apparatus according to any one of claims 38 to 46, wherein a wholly transparent object in said region eliminates at least itself from said compositing expression.

48. An apparatus according to any one of claims 38 to 47, wherein said modifying comprises modifying a manner in which said compositing expression is evaluated without modifying said hierarchically structured representation.

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49. A computer program product including a computer readable medium having a plurality of software modules for creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said computer program product comprising:

10 dividing module for dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space;

15 manipulating module for manipulating said regions to determine a plurality of further regions, wherein each said further region has a corresponding compositing expression;

classifying module for classifying said further regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said further regions;

20 modifying module for modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said further region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said further region; and

compositing module for compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

25 50. A computer program product according to claim 49, wherein said attribute is selected from the group consisting of colour, opacity and object outline.

51. A computer program product according to claims 49 or 50, wherein said manipulating said regions comprises applying set operations to said regions.

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52. A computer program product according to claim 51, wherein said set operations include difference and/or intersection operations.

35 53. A computer program product according to any one of claims 49 to 52, wherein said grid is regularly spaced and preferably orthogonally based.

54. A computer program product according to any one of claims 49 to 52, wherein said grid is irregularly shaped.

5 55. A computer program product according to any one of claims 49 to 54, wherein said compositing expression is a hierarchically structured representation of the image.

10 56. A computer program product according to any one of claims 49 to 55, wherein said image is at least in part a pixel-based image.

57. A computer program product according to any one of claims 49 to 56, wherein a flag is stored to indicate whether data of an object is opaque or ordinary.

15 58. A computer program product according to claim 57, wherein said compositing expression is optimized based on a value of said flag for contributing objects.

20 59. A computer program product according to any one of claims 49 to 58, wherein a wholly opaque object in said region acts to eliminate one or more objects within said region from said compositing expressions.

25 60. A computer program product according to any one of claims 49 to 59, wherein a wholly transparent object in said region eliminates at least itself from said compositing expression.

30 61. A computer program product according to any one of claims 49 to 60, wherein said modifying comprises modifying a manner in which said compositing expression is evaluated without modifying said hierarchically structured representation.

62. A computer program product including a computer readable medium having a plurality of software modules for creating an image, said image to be formed by rendering and compositing at least a plurality of graphical objects, each said object having a predetermined outline, said computer program product comprising:

35 dividing module for dividing a space in which said outlines are defined into a

plurality regions, each said region being defined by at least one region outline substantially following at least one of said predetermined outlines or parts thereof and being substantially formed by segments of a virtual grid encompassing said space, wherein each object has two region outlines arranged either side of said predetermined outline to thus define three regions for each said object, and wherein each said region has a corresponding compositing expression;

- 5 classifying module for classifying said regions according to at least one attribute of said graphical objects within said regions;
- 10 modifying module for modifying each said corresponding compositing expression according to a classification of each said region to form an augmented compositing expression for each said region; and

compositing module for compositing said image using each of said augmented compositing expressions.

15 63. A computer program product according to claim 62, wherein said attribute is selected from the group consisting of colour, opacity and object outline.

64. A computer program product according to any one of claims 62 or 63, wherein said grid is regularly spaced and preferably orthogonally based.

20 65. method according to any one of claims 62 to 64, wherein said grid is irregularly shaped.

25 66. A computer program product according to any one of claims 62 to 65, wherein said compositing expression is a hierarchically structured representation of the image.

67. A computer program product according to any one of claims 62 to 66, wherein said image is at least in part a pixel-based image.

30 68. A computer program product according to any one of claims 62 to 67, wherein a flag is stored to indicate whether data of an object is opaque or ordinary.

35 69. A computer program product according to claim 68, wherein said compositing expression is optimized based on a value of said flag for contributing

objects.

70. A computer program product according to any one of claims 62 to 69,
wherein a wholly opaque object in said region acts to eliminate one or more objects
5 within said region from said compositing expressions.

71. A computer program product according to any one of claims 62 to 70,
wherein a wholly transparent object in said region eliminates at least itself from said
compositing expression.

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72. A computer program product according to any one of claims 62 to 71,
wherein said modifying comprises modifying a manner in which said compositing
expression is evaluated without modifying said hierarchically structured representation.

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73. A method of creating an image substantially as herein described with
reference to any one of the embodiments as illustrated in Figs. 4 to 22.

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74. An apparatus for creating an image substantially as herein described with
reference to any one of the embodiments as illustrated in Figs. 4 to 22.

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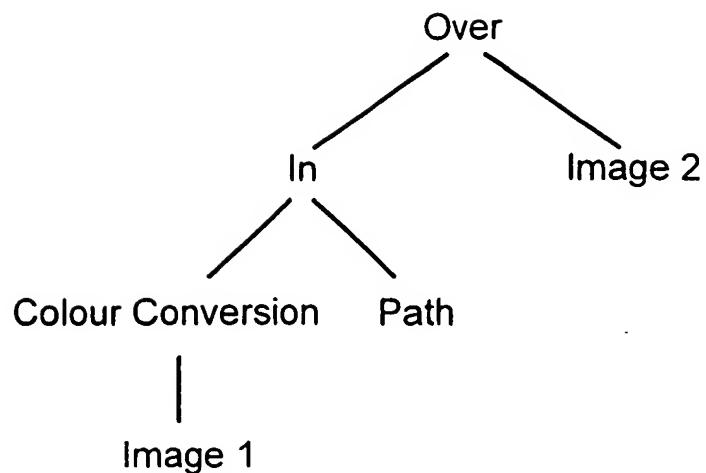
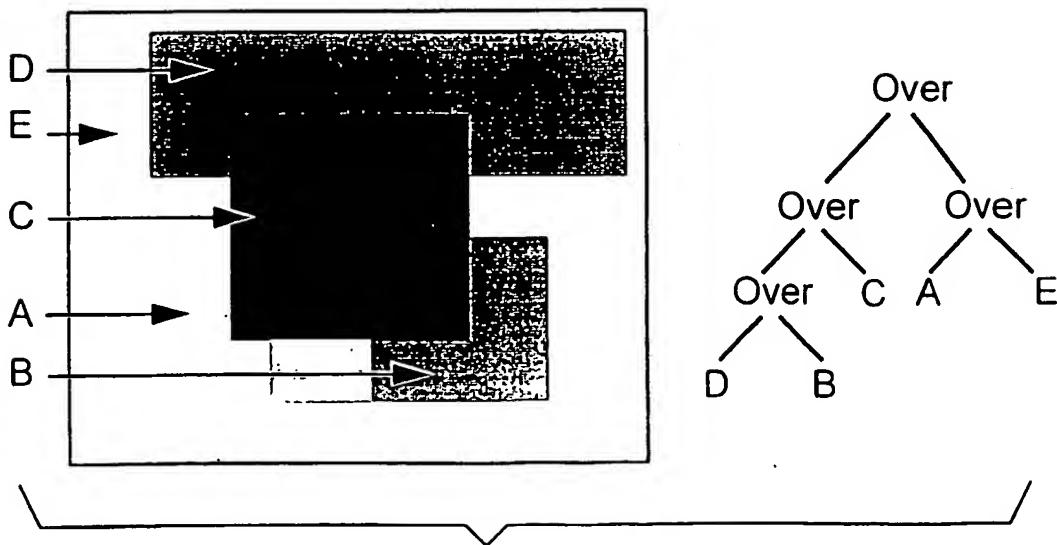
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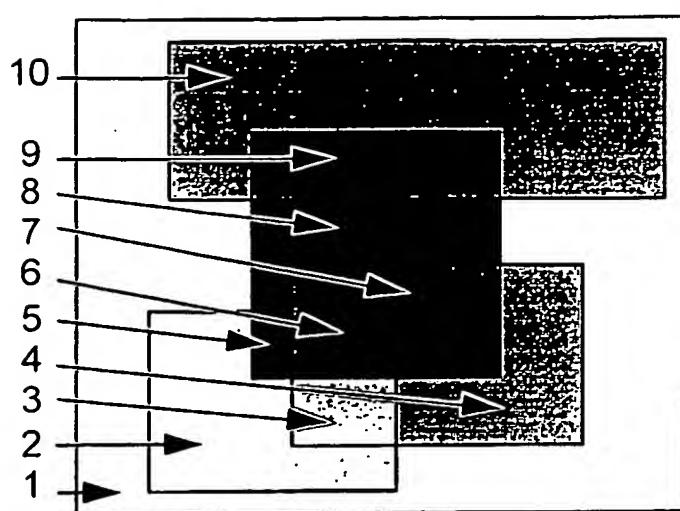


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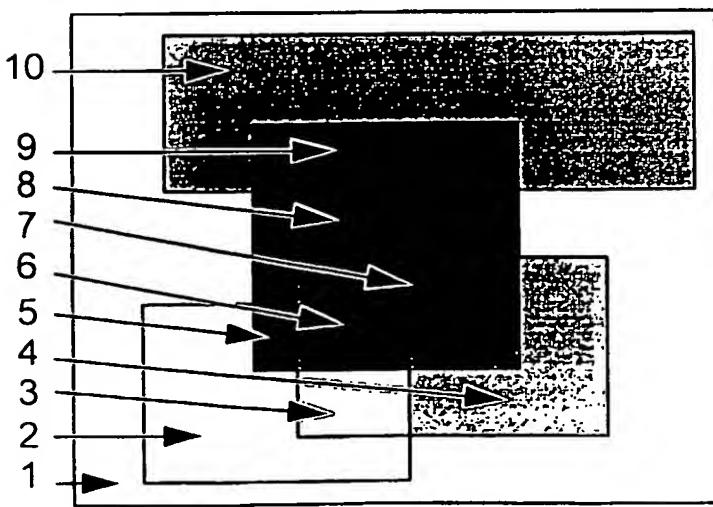


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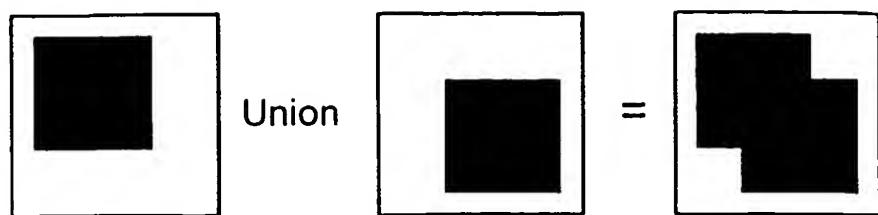


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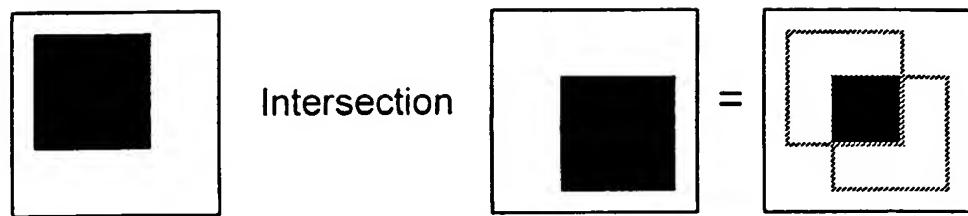
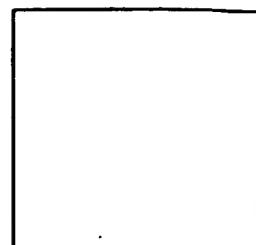
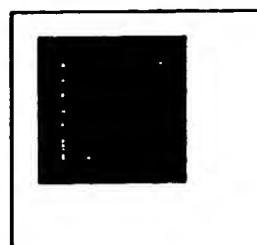


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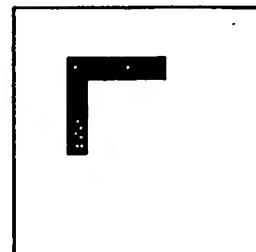
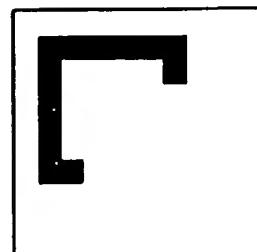


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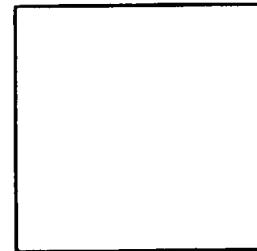
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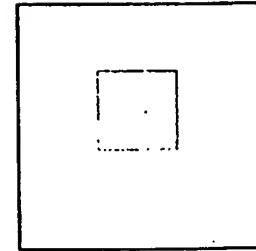
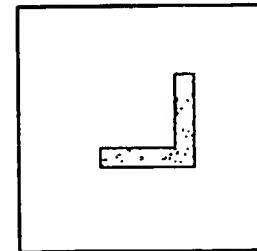
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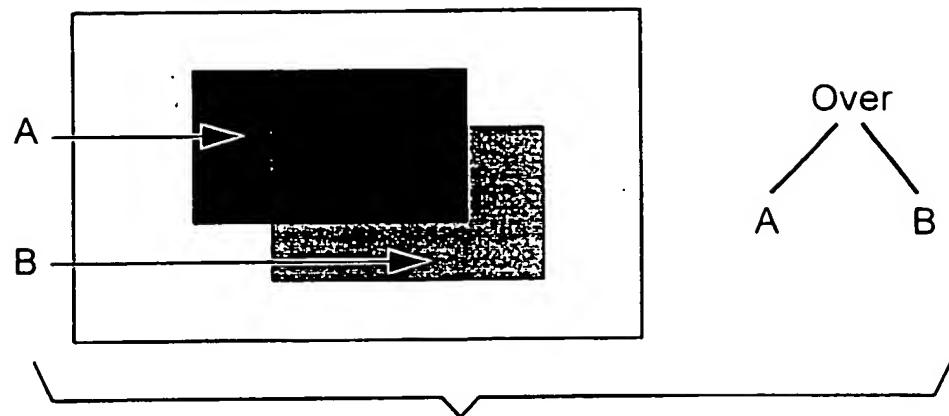


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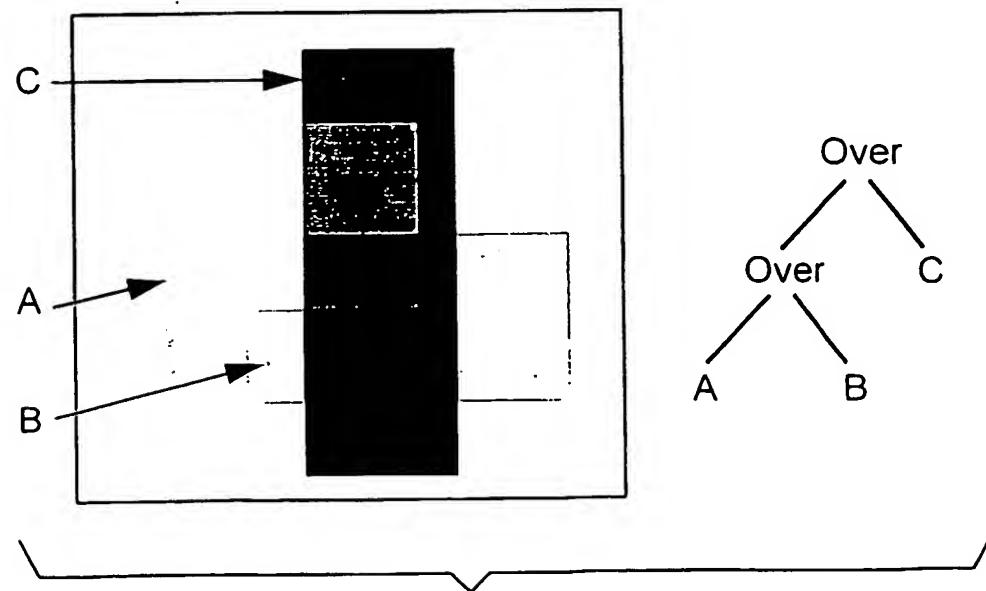
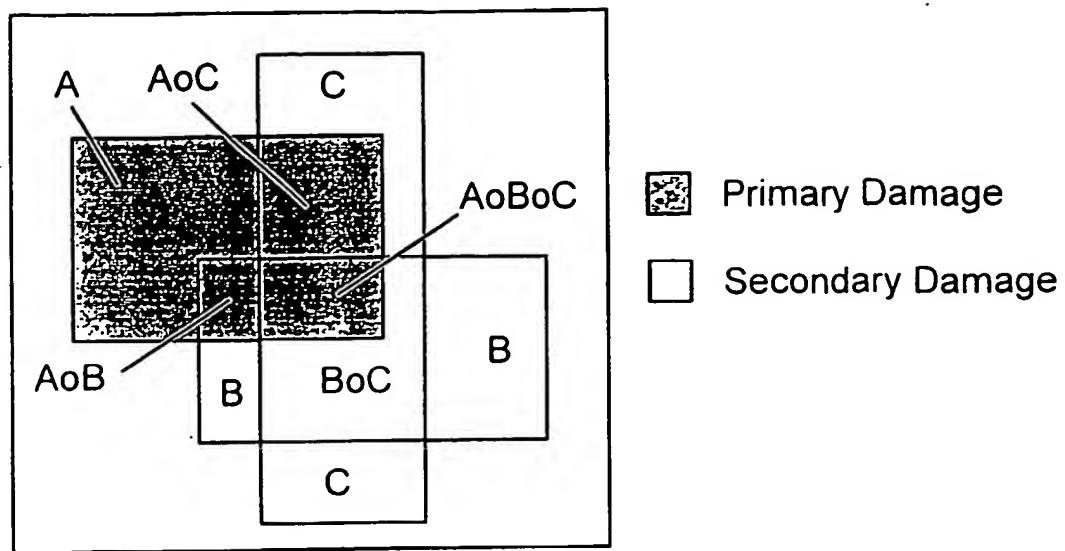
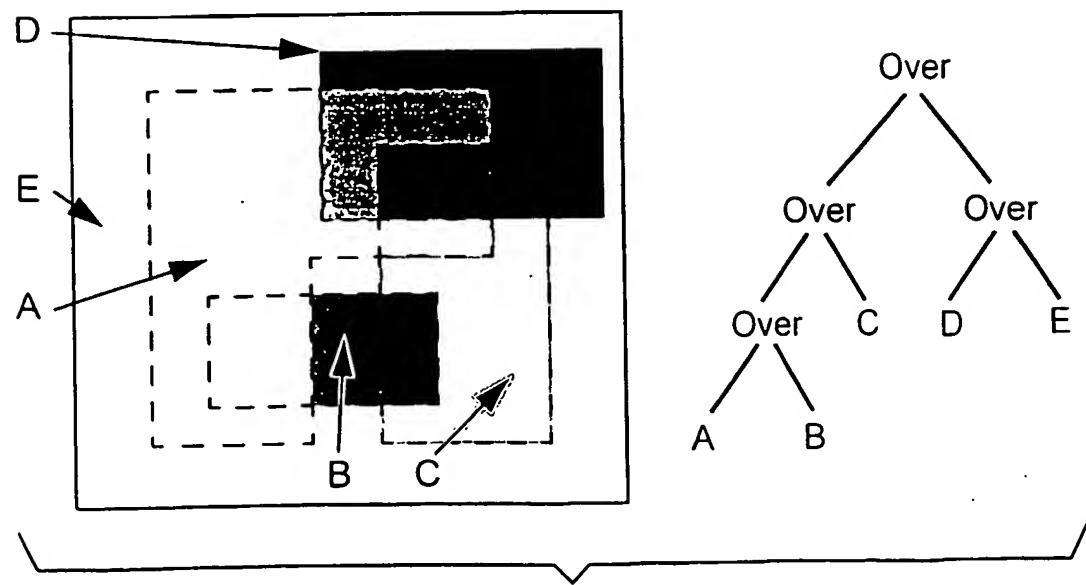


Fig. 10

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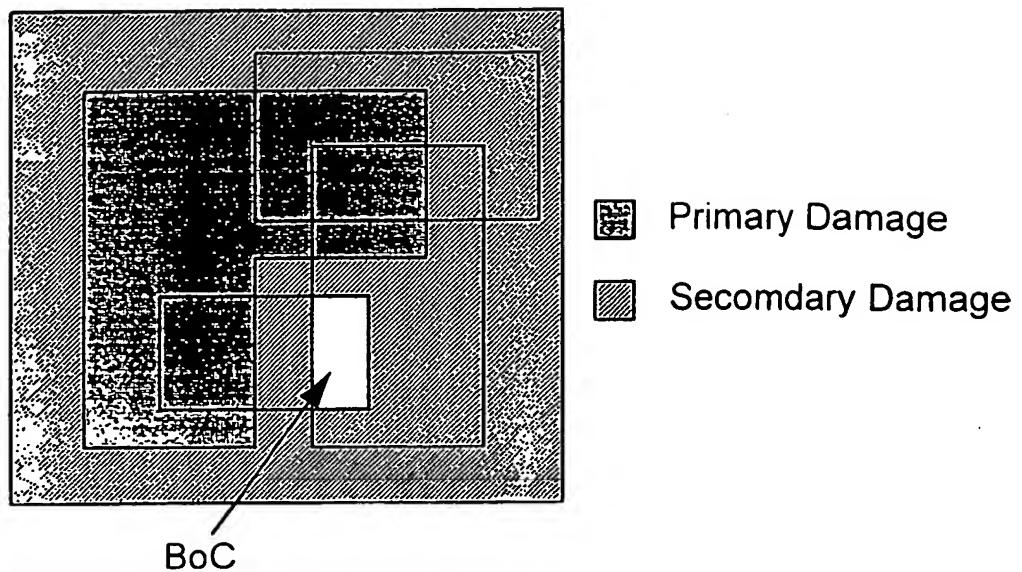


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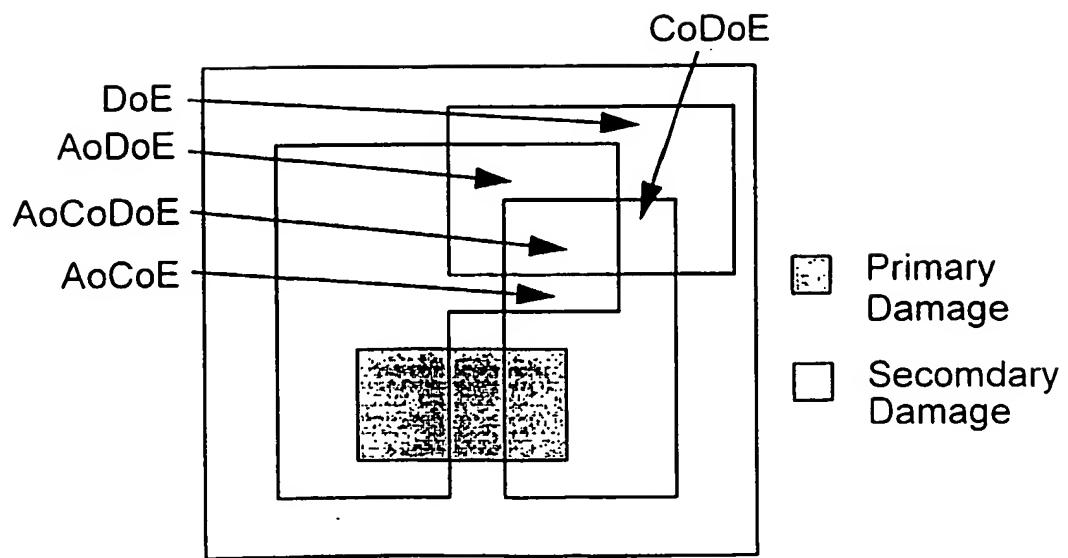


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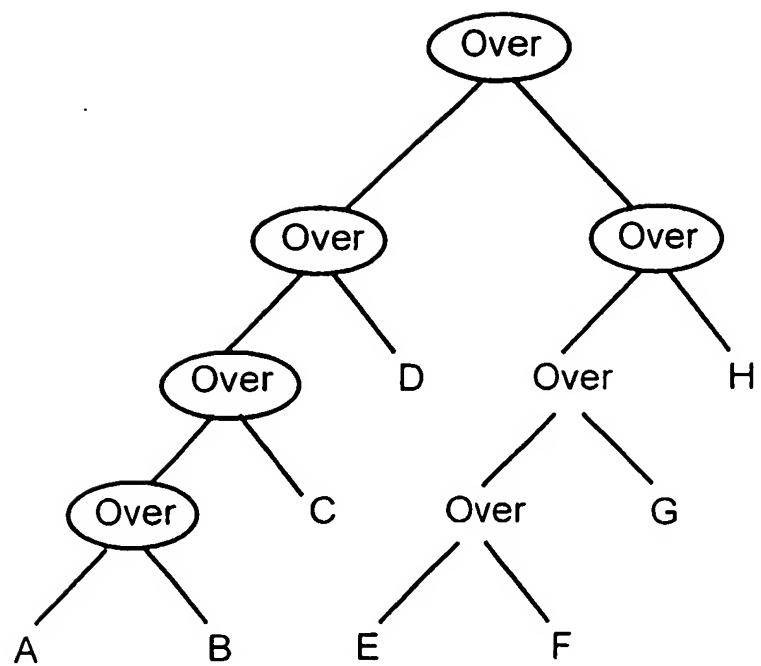


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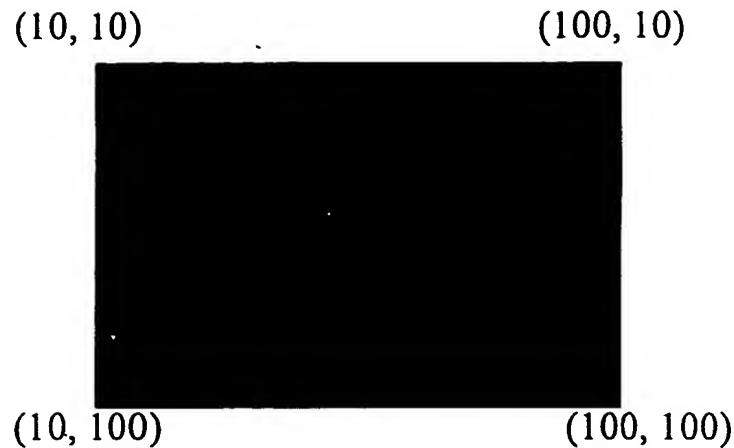


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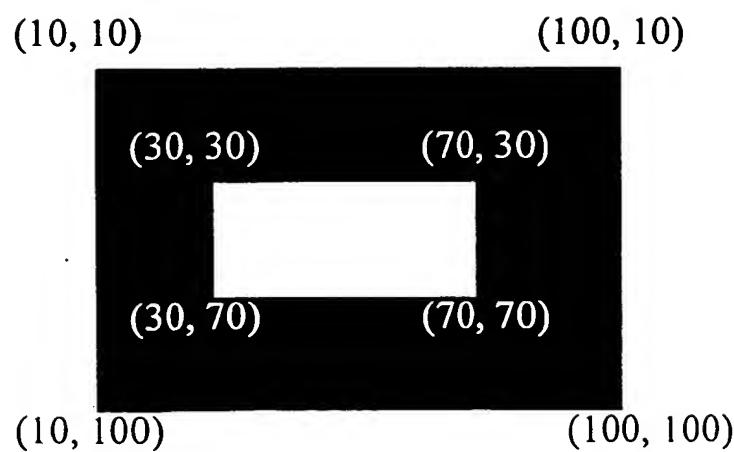


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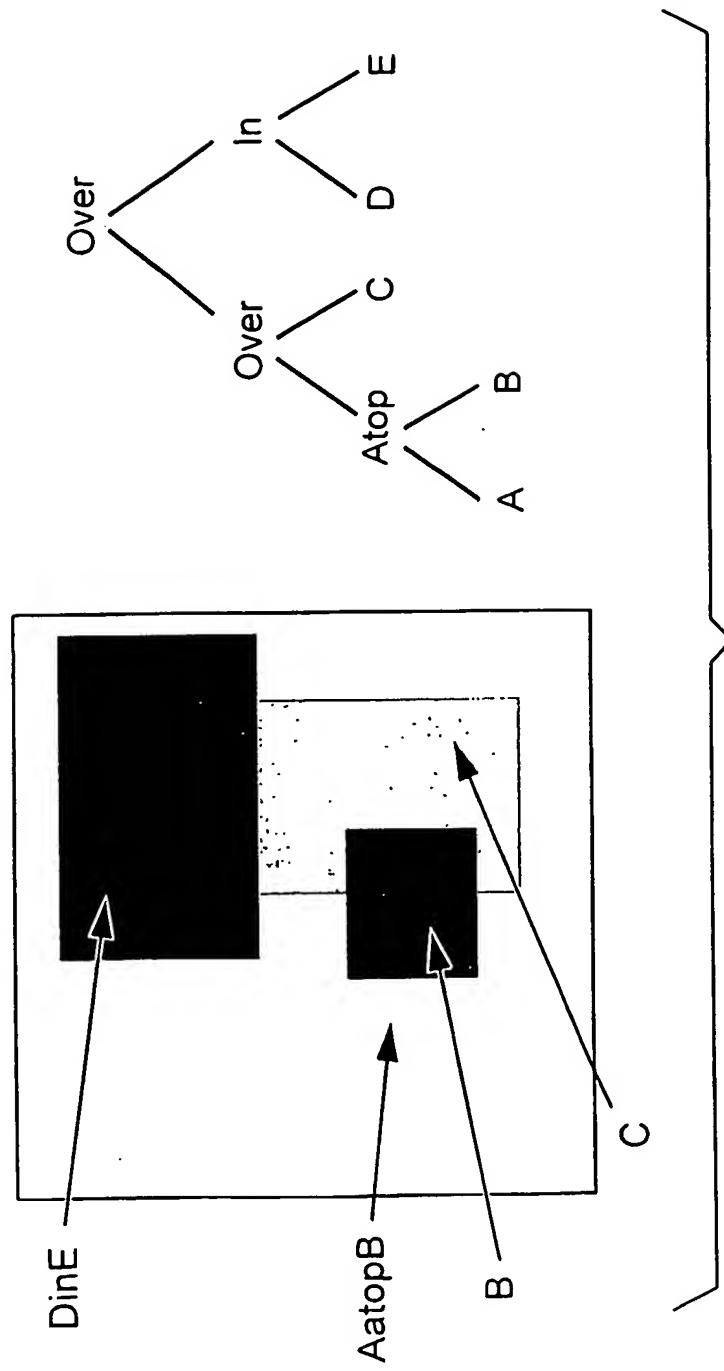


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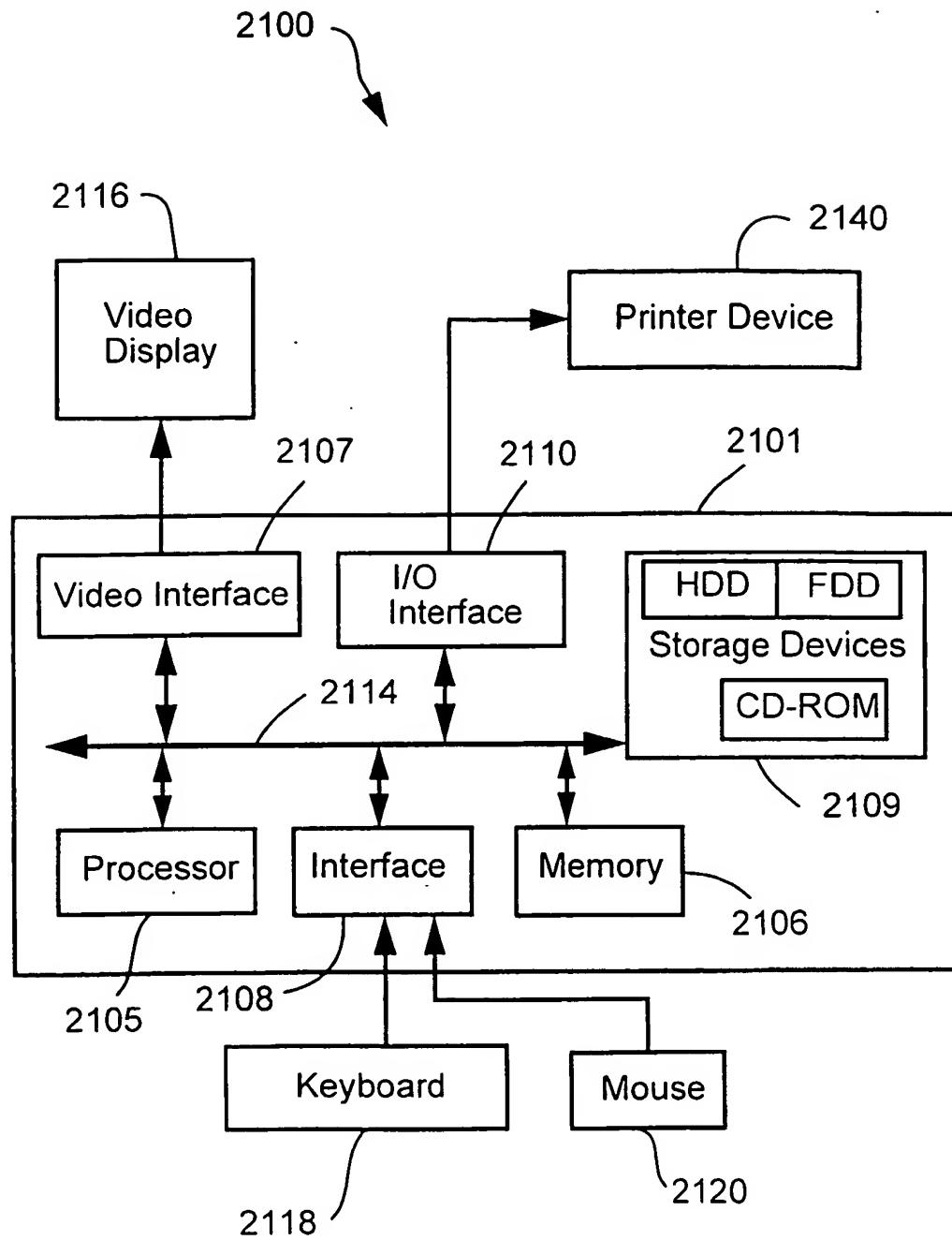


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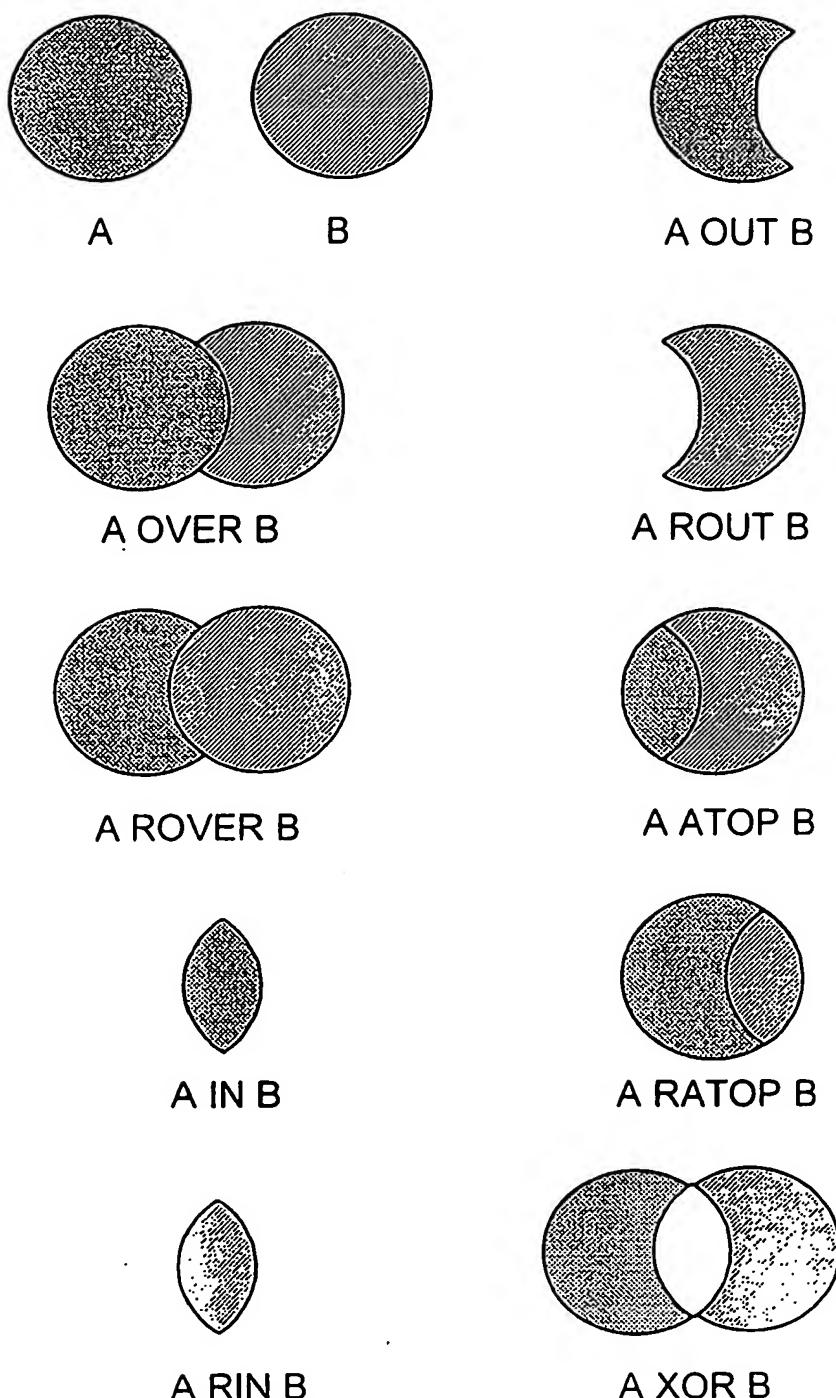


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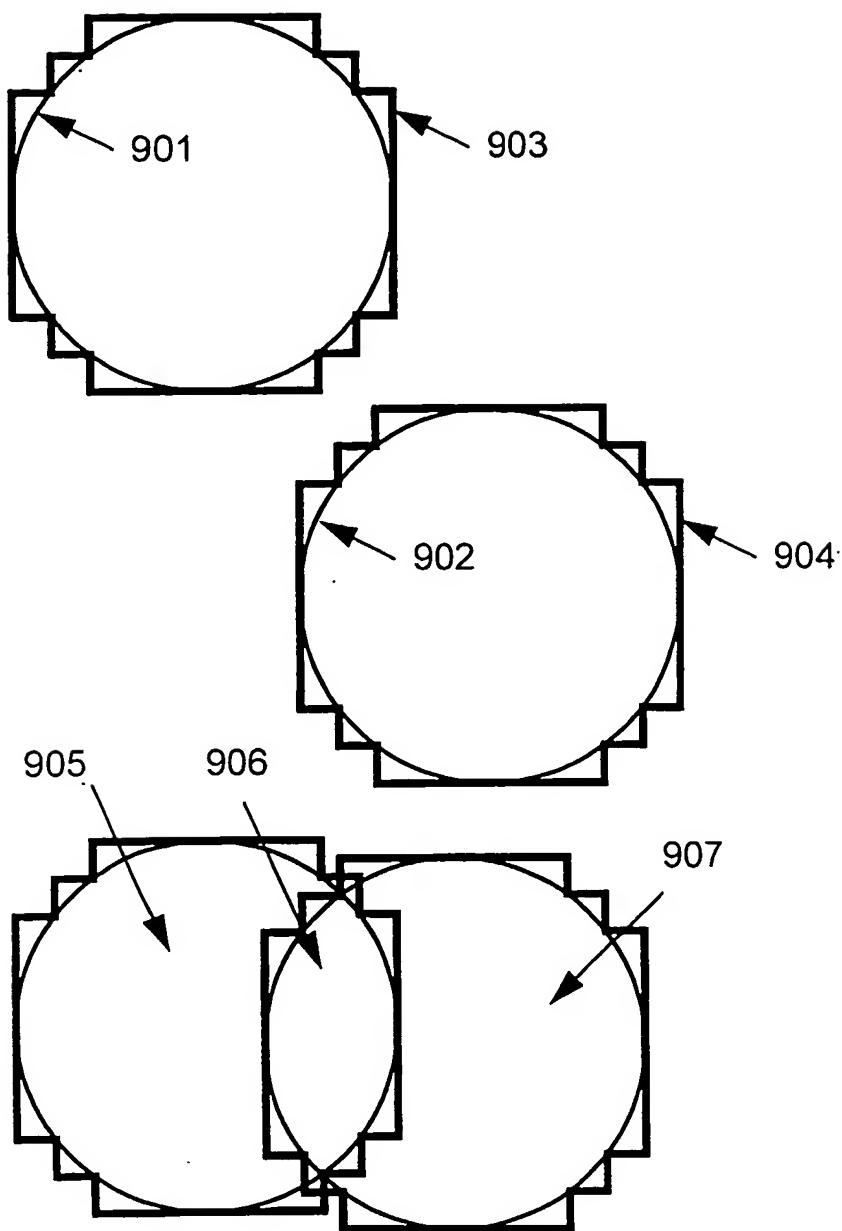


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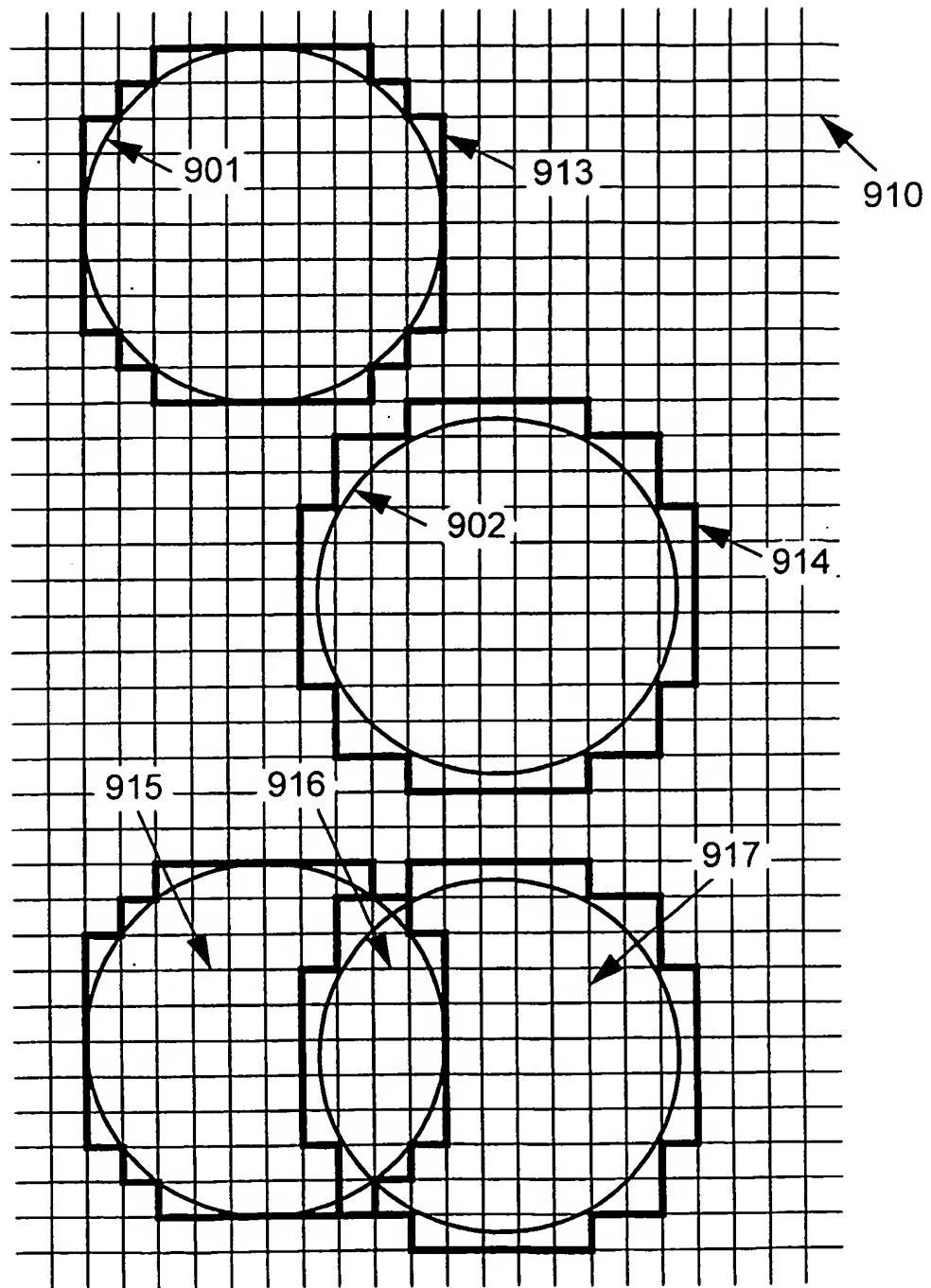


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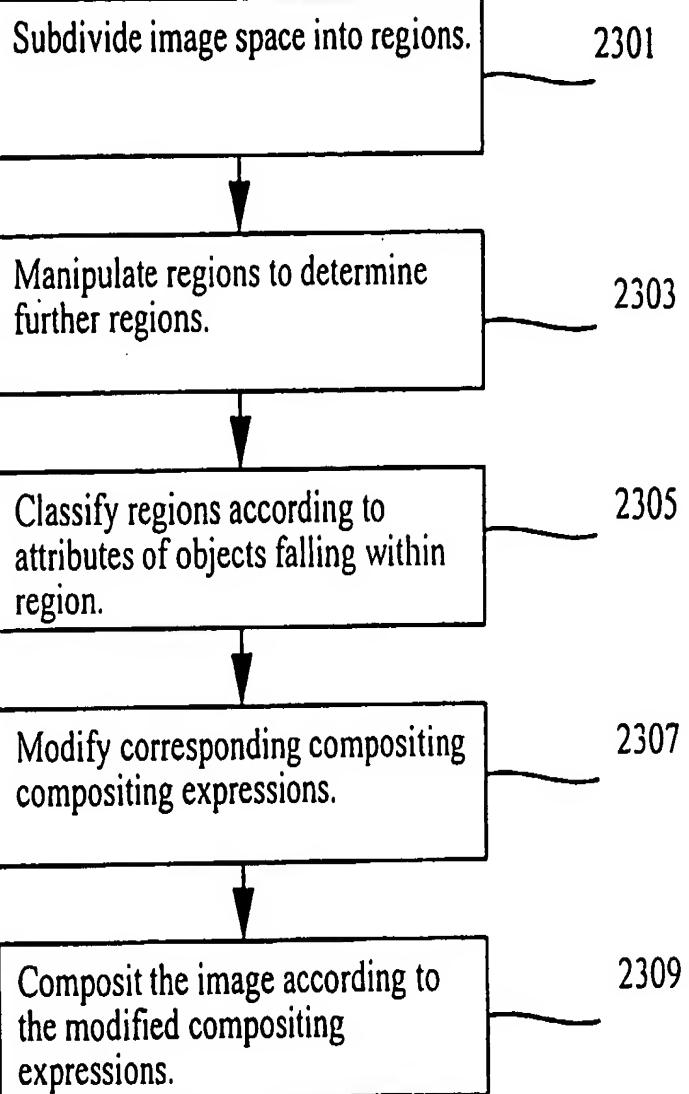


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